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WEEK DAYS

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.30	7.10
Yamati...	Dep.	6.50	9.25	10.40	12.10	1.25	4.45	5.40	7.20
Shatin...	Dep.	7.00	9.35	10.50	12.20	1.35	4.55	5.50	7.30
Taipei...	Dep.	7.10	9.45	11.00	12.30	1.45	5.05	6.00	7.40
Taipei Market...	Dep.	7.20	9.55	11.10	12.40	1.55	5.15	6.10	7.50
Fanning...	Dep.	7.30	10.05	11.20	12.50	2.05	5.25	6.20	8.00
Shuanghui...	Dep.	7.40	10.15	11.30	1.00	2.15	5.35	6.30	8.10
Shuanghui...	Arr.	7.45	10.20	11.35	1.05	2.20	5.40	6.35	8.15

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shuanghui...	Dep.	7.30	10.05	11.20	1.00	2.15	5.25	6.20	8.00
Shuanghui...	Dep.	7.40	10.15	11.30	1.05	2.20	5.30	6.25	8.05
Fanning...	Dep.	7.50	10.25	11.40	1.10	2.25	5.35	6.30	8.10
Taipei Market...	Dep.	8.00	10.35	11.50	1.15	2.30	5.40	6.35	8.15
Taipei...	Dep.	8.10	10.45	12.00	1.20	2.35	5.45	6.40	8.20
Shatin...	Dep.	8.20	10.55	12.10	1.25	2.40	5.50	6.45	8.25
Yamati...	Dep.	8.30	11.05	12.20	1.30	2.45	5.55	6.50	8.30
Kowloon...	Dep.	8.40	11.15	12.30	1.35	2.50	6.00	6.55	8.35
Kowloon...	Arr.	8.45	11.20	12.35	1.40	2.55	6.05	7.00	8.40

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	12.00	2.20	5.20	7.10
Yamati...	Dep.	6.50	8.45	9.25	10.40	12.10	2.30	5.30	7.20
Shatin...	Dep.	7.00	8.55	9.35	10.50	12.20	2.40	5.40	7.30
Taipei...	Dep.	7.10	9.05	9.45	11.00	12.30	2.50	5.50	7.40
Taipei Market...	Dep.	7.20	9.15	9.55	11.10	12.40	3.00	6.00	7.50
Fanning...	Dep.	7.30	9.25	10.05	11.20	12.50	3.10	6.10	8.00
Shuanghui...	Dep.	7.40	9.35	10.15	11.30	1.00	3.20	6.20	8.10
Shuanghui...	Arr.	7.45	9.40	10.20	11.35	1.05	3.25	6.25	8.15

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shuanghui...	Dep.	8.10	10.05	11.20	1.00	2.15	5.25	6.20	8.00
Shuanghui...	Dep.	8.20	10.15	11.30	1.05	2.20	5.30	6.25	8.05
Fanning...	Dep.	8.30	10.25	11.40	1.10	2.25	5.35	6.30	8.10
Taipei Market...	Dep.	8.40	10.35	11.50	1.15	2.30	5.40	6.35	8.15
Taipei...	Dep.	8.50	10.45	12.00	1.20	2.35	5.45	6.40	8.20
Shatin...	Dep.	9.00	10.55	12.10	1.25	2.40	5.50	6.45	8.25
Yamati...	Dep.	9.10	11.05	12.20	1.30	2.45	5.55	6.50	8.30
Kowloon...	Dep.	9.20	11.15	12.30	1.35	2.50	6.00	6.55	8.35
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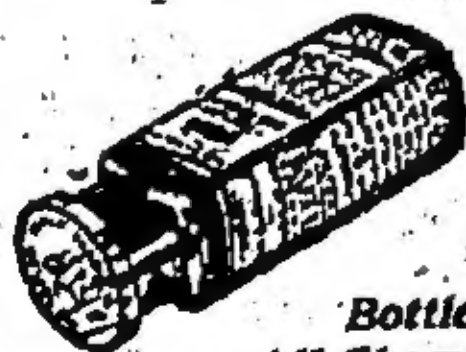
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EDINBURGH, March 24th.

What is to be the fate of our great mansions and castles in the near future? All over the country stately houses are "closed," and not a few are becoming derelict. The former occupants cannot afford to live in them, the "new rich" are not numerous enough to rent what they sometimes chose to call "the buildings." One of the tragedies of recent years is the one-time famous Taymouth Castle at Kenmore, Perthshire. In 1922, the historic seat of the Breadalbane family was formed into a limited company, the Taymouth Castle Hotel, Ltd., and in the following year it was opened as the Taymouth Castle Hydro-Hotel. Its life as a commercial undertaking has been a short one. An official announcement has just been issued calling a meeting of the shareholders of the company at which a motion will be submitted to the effect that "the company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily." Taymouth Castle, which is one of the finest buildings in Scotland, imposing in architecture and with internal fittings of exquisite workmanship, was formerly the seat of the late Marquis of Breadalbane, who sold it for £25,000 to the Company. Along with the building the Company acquired 500 acres of policy ground and the valuable salmon fishing rights on Loch Tay and the River Tay. The fishings include a stretch of water in Loch Tay fully seven miles in circumference, and also 2½ miles of the River Tay within the Castle policies. The famous Drummond Hill, overlooking the Castle, extending to over 2,500 acres, and providing good grouse shooting and deer-stalking was also rented. The great building was thoroughly reconditioned before being opened as a hotel, its ancient beauties being preserved, while its equipment was modernised and brought up-to-date. A central-heating scheme was installed, electric light and power provided, while the gardens were replanned, and a golf course laid out.

SOME BIG "POTS."
The Calcutta Cup, for which England and Scotland did battle at Twickenham, is really a massive silver tankard with lid, of the finest Benares workmanship. It was presented to the Rugby Union in 1878 by the original Calcutta F.C. when they decided to disband. Apart from Rugby, golf has its Calcutta Cup, presented to the Royal and Ancient Golf Club by the Calcutta Golf Club, and first played for in 1888. Up to 1902 it was played for in handicap tournament by holes, but has since been decided by strokes taken at certain holes. The Soccer game has many important "pots," the best known of these being the Football Association Cup. In 1871, a resolution was passed by the F.A. to the effect that "It is desirable that a challenge cup should be established in connection with the Association, for which all clubs should be invited to compete." The Wanderers, an eleven composed chiefly of old public school boys, won the cup five times in the first seven years of its history. The original Cup, which cost £25, was stolen in 1895 from a Birmingham shopkeeper's window, where it had been put on view by Aston Villa, the winners of that year. The replica of the stolen Cup was presented to the late Lord Kinnaird in 1909-10, on his completing twenty-one years' presidency of the F.A. The present F.A. Cup, which Sheffield United hold, is therefore the third in the series of trophies. In 1873 the Scottish Football Association Cup competition was inaugurated, the first winners of the trophy being Queen's Park. The Amateurs have, altogether, been successful in the final ties on ten occasions, a record which only the Celtic have eclipsed. In the season 1908-09, when Rangers and Celtic met in the final, and the score stood one all, a riot occurred, and the Cup was withheld for the year. Last year the Celtic brought their Scottish Cup wins up to eleven, and it looks as if that number may be increased yet again this season. The Welsh F.A. Cup was first played for in 1877-78, and the Irish Cup in 1890-91. The F.A. Amateur Cup dates from 1893-94, in which season it was won by the Old Carthusians, who defeated the Casuals in the final by two goals to one.

CHURCH UNION VOTE.

General satisfaction is expressed with the result of the vote recently taken in the United Free Church on the question of union with the Church of Scotland. The report showed that of the 63 home Presbyteries no fewer than 61 had voted in favour of the Assembly's remit. The only active dissident was the Islay Presbytery, the total of 63 being completed by Uist, which made no return. Among the kirk-sessions and congregations the opponents of union obtained a larger measure of support, while, however, remaining a relatively small minority. Of the kirk-sessions 1,133 voted in favour, and 235 were opposed, while among the congregations the respective figures were 1,123 and 235. What must impress any student of statistics is the remarkable strength of the vote for union. The tendency of mankind to divide into sections and parties on any controversial issue is notorious, and a vote in the kirk-sessions of 3 to 1 and in the congregations of 4 to 1 in favour of union is a remarkable testimony to the strength of the movement. With these figures before them the Assembly have no alternative but to proceed with the negotiations for an incorporating union with the Church of Scotland. They have got as clear a mandate as could be expected from any popular vote, and they have every reason to hope that the strength of the opposition will diminish, and not increase, when the terms of union are settled, and it is seen that certain present doubts have been removed, or fears allayed.

A TIP FOR ORATORS.

Before Sir Robert Horne rose to speak at the Institute of Journalists' dinner in Glasgow at the weekend, he asked the waiter to bring him a soda-water syphon. It was not for use, however, in the ordinary and accepted manner. Accustomed during his period in the Ministry to lean on one of the famous despatch boxes when speaking from the Front Bench in Parliament, Sir Robert seems to find that a syphon of the right height and of sufficient stability enables him to adopt his favourite attitude when delivering a speech. For the benefit of young and inexperienced orators, one word of warning is necessary. If they adopt the same habit they must be careful in their more eloquent flights not to lean too heavily on the wrong part of the syphon. If they do, their dinner partner will be their enemy for life.

LORD DEWAR'S EPIGRAMS.

Lord Dewar, who has become facile princeps among our post-prandial epigrammatists, was in great form at the festival of the National Advertising Benevolent Society firing off a quick succession of pithy dicta, among which were:—

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MISCELLANEA.

Dr. Alison who is retiring from the headmastership of George Watson's College, the famous Edinburgh "Big School," and will receive as a parting gift from F.P.'s a cheque for the expenses of a trip round the world, states that "he had received invitations from Watsonian Clubs in Calcutta, Shanghai, Hankow, and other places. Indeed, he thought that if he accepted all the invitations he received he would be wandering for ever."

An agreement has been come to between the Merchant Company of Edinburgh to sell George Watson's School to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary for £20,000. A new site and buildings for the school will cost £200,000, and an appeal for funds will be made to "old boys" all over the world.

A cenotaph, in addition to the National War Memorial at Edinburgh Castle, is to be erected in the Capital, probably on the Garden side of Princes Street. A sum of £3,000 will be aimed at by the promoters.

Read the other day of an incident that will interest Scots in general and Highlanders in particular. In the current issue of "An Gaidheal," the official organ of An Comunn Gaidhealach, we find the following from a correspondent in Ottawa:—"While waiting for a division in the Federal House here last week the French members, according to tradition, sang 'Allouette,' but were drowned by the chorus of: 'Ho, ro mo nigheas donn boidheach' (ho ro my nut brown maiden)."

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BOLSHEVISM'S WAR ON MISSIONS.

ENDEAVOUR TO SEIZE OWNERSHIP OF THE STOUT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL IN WUCHOW.

MISSIONARIES FORCED TO LEAVE INSTITUTION UNDER THREATS AND INSULTS.

PROTECTION FROM U.S. GUNBOAT.

Dr. G. W. Leavell, who recently left for America, has contributed to the N. C. Daily News the following account of the developments which led to the closing of the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow:

Following the violent outbreak of anti-foreign feeling throughout China in June of 1925, right up to the present time, the work of the Stout Memorial Hospital has been carried on from day to day with much apprehension and uncertainty. The under-current of unrest, dissatisfaction, and growing anti-foreign feeling has made the situation extremely difficult. When the rising tide of patriotism reached us last summer, the students began to stage patriotic demonstrations, the Labour Unions were enlisted and general strikes were called and carried out.

During this period a strike was ordered by the Labour Unions at the Stout Memorial Hospital. The matter was brought to the attention of the Military General governing Kwangsi. Being a friend of the hospital he immediately issued a strong proclamation for the protection of the Hospital staff, and the strike was cancelled by the Labour Unions. We thus averted the initial attack and were able to carry on for the rest of the year.

During the fall and winter months anti-Christian organization was very active at Wuchow. Demonstrations, parades, posters and newspaper articles were much in evidence, and the Hospital staff, as well as all Christians, were much concerned at the threats and growing anti-foreign sentiment, which seemed constantly increasing and gaining greater force and momentum. A demonstration was staged for Christmas Day, and there was great agitation on the part of the anti-Christians.

A CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION.

Early in this year some of the more radical Christians representing all the denominations at Wuchow, organized the so-called "Chinese Christian Promotion Association." They enlisted all the members of the churches who had in any way been dissatisfied with the work and organization of the Churches and their management. This body was organized in order to meet the opposition to the Chinese Christians, and had in its initial purpose the object of: proving to the masses the loyalty of the Chinese Christians to their country.

Securing the support of the Bolsheviki element: the military headquarters: the Labour Unions and the strikers operating at Wuchow, demands were presented to the American members of the Southern Baptist Mission through the Chinese Promotion Association, and we were asked to sign the following demands:

DEMANDS ON FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

(PRESENTED BY THE KWANGSI CHINESE CHRISTIAN PROMOTION ASSOCIATION.)

1.—A MANIFESTO

A manifesto, typewritten and signed with pen and ink, is to be handed to the Kwangsi Chinese Christian Promotion Association to be forwarded to newspaper presses for publication. The manifesto must embody the following six important points:

- (1) The realization of the fact that the unfair treaties are oppressive to China.
- (2) The impropriety of foreigners depending on treaty protection while performing missionary work in China.
- (3) The approval of the Chinese starting to free themselves of all unequal restraints.
- (4) The earnest desire of assisting, as an individual, the Chinese to relieve themselves from various oppressions.
- (5) The earnest desire, as an individual, of declaring to the world that all the unfair treaties imposed on China should be abrogated.
- (6) The individual recognition of the fact that missionary affairs belong to the God and should be openly handled by Chinese Christians.

2.—OPEN HANDLING OF MISSIONARY AFFAIRS

- (1) The Committee.—The Committee of various departments should consist of over 50 per cent of Chinese members.
- (2) The Power of the Committee.—The Committee of various departments should have the power to manage or to improve the affairs of the department concerned.
- (3) Finance.—The funds derived from contribution of foreign missionaries are to be controlled and appropriated by the Committee of the department concerned.

Dated March 22nd, 1926.

We could not sign this document, but prepared the following statement which we did not have an opportunity of presenting:

"On account of the antagonism and opposition, by certain factions to the on-going of Christian work in Kwangsi and Kwangtung Provinces, at the present time, we as individuals have agreed to stand with our Chinese Baptist Brethren in the following resolutions:—

(1) That we earnestly desire a conference as soon as possible between the Chinese and Foreign Governments through their duly appointed officials, for the consideration of the revision of the existing treaties.

(2) That we state firmly our belief in the one True God and His Son Christ Jesus and look firmly in faith to the power of the Holy Spirit to guide and protect us in our daily life and work.

(3) That we approve of and look forward to the organization of further Joint Boards of Control with our Chinese Brethren for the management of the Funds entrusted to us and the work of our Baptist Institution."

FOOD SUPPLIES HELD UP.

Our personal servants were intimidated and threatened. Having joined the Labour Unions they were officially notified to strike. On the morning of March 22nd, all personal servants on the Mission Compound walked out. Instructions were given to the coolies and cooks, and other helpers that they should do nothing whatever for the hospital. A member of this organization walked boldly into the hospital office and instructed the cashier that from that time forward all hospital funds were not to be turned over to the foreign doctor in charge of the Hospital, but to this organization. This demand was made upon the threat of the cashier being killed unless he obeyed instructions. The foreign doctor in charge of the Hospital actually caught this man in the act of passing this order to the Hospital cashier. Pickets were placed at all entrances to the Mission Compound. All foreigners were closely watched by the native pickets, and nothing was allowed to be taken in or out of the Hospital for the foreigners. No food could be purchased or supplies secured.

THE ULTIMATUM

In a few days the following ultimatum was addressed in writing and sent to us as follows:—

Wuchow, March 26th.

Dr. G. W. Leavell,
Rev. Tipton,
Rev. Rex Ray,
Dr. Bailey,
Miss McIlinn,
Miss Pearl Johnson.

On the basis of Christian doctrine we do not recognize the existence, in the human being, of unfairness and unfreedom which cause pains of oppression among races and nations. Our nation has been labouring under extreme pains of oppression from the unfair treaties concluded with the Powers and your nation. You, Missionaries and Doctors, have come to China so long, have witnessed the terrible conditions arising therefrom, and should have assisted the Chinese to abrogate unfair treaties in the Christian mind of altruism.

We have sent delegates to approach you three times, demanding your joint approval of the abrogation of missionary and all unfair treaties and your recognition of the open management of missionary affairs. Our demands are firmly refused. The saying that the missionaries and doctors are vanguards of the Imperialistic invaders proves to be a fact undeniable. Fragrances and stink must be separated, so enemies are hardly associable. We have resolved, finally and unanimously to sever friendship with you, missionaries and doctors. This is for your consideration.

Yours very truly,
(Chopped) KWANGSI CHINESE CHRISTIAN PROMOTION ASSOCIATION.

We appealed to the Military officials and the Secretary of Foreign Affairs to save the work of the Hospital for the people of Kwangsi. The Labour organizations seemed to have thorough control and power, and the military and other officials supported by the Soviet Russians, allowed without molestation, the carrying out of the programme.

A STRIKE ORDERED.

A strike was ordered of all hospital helpers and nurses in the hospital. This was to take effect when salaries for March were paid on April 1st. Some of the loyal Christians tried to save the situation from disaster, and presented the following for signature, which we could conscientiously agree to sign:—

"The Kwangsi Chinese Christian Promotion Association resolved, in a

general meeting held on March 23rd, to send five representatives to make a third negotiation with American Missionaries, Doctors, and Ladies of the Baptist Mission in Wuchow. Four demands presented were as under:—

1. We, the American Missionaries, doctors, and ladies, agree that the future preaching of Christianity in China and the handling of benevolent affairs will depend on nothing but the assistance of the True God and the protection of the local government and not the privilege of the missionary treaties (i.e., treaties respecting missionaries in China).

2. We, the American Missionaries, earnestly desire to assist the Chinese Government in its recovery of Customs autonomy and in the abrogation of the unfair treaties imposed by the Powers with oppression.

3. We, the American Missionaries, do wish to request our Government to annul the "so-called" unfair treaties and to revise the treaties respecting the mutual honour and equality between both nations.

4. In regard to the preaching work of the Mission, we, the American Missionaries, not only desire to handle it in co-operation with Chinese disciples, but also to hand over the work to their management. For instance, the Kwei Nam Pui Ching School has been entirely handed over to the control of the Kwei Nam Joint Board; and the preaching work, mission locations, and clergymen preaching had been under the control of the "Preaching Board" for over a decade. A committee was organized by the Kwei Nam Joint Board to run the Stout Memorial Hospital the year before last. The only institution, uncontrolled by the Kwei Nam Joint Board is the Wang To Girls School. Our Miss McIlinn earnestly wishes that the Kwei Nam Joint Board will immediately organize a committee to run it. Should the representatives of the Kwei Nam Joint Board find the above points unsatisfactory, same can be rectified at any time. In the event of the Kwei Nam Joint Board being able to make an independent stand and support itself, our American Missionaries will turn over everything to it.

Signature of Missionaries
Representative of the
Promotion Association.

THE CLOVEN HOOF.

Realizing that there was no way to carry on the work of the hospital, the superintendent announced on the morning of March 26th that salaries would be paid on the following day, and the hospital was officially closed and sealed by the American Authorities. At the last minute the Department of Public Health, under the Military organization at Wuchow, presented a proposition to take over the hospital as a Public Health Institution. This was found to be the ultimate aim in calling a strike and closing the hospital. The American Trustees of the hospital instructed the superintendent not to enter upon any plan of co-operation whereby the ownership of the property, and the work of the hospital would be placed in danger. So the negotiations along this line were not encouraged. It seemed impossible to work out in any way a plan of co-operation. The Chinese Staff left early on the morning of March 31st, and we closed up the hospital, suspending all work for the time being.

All patients were removed and the entire Chinese staff of the Hospital left with their baggage before noon. A close guard was placed about the Hospital and no Chinese was allowed to enter. No help could be secured for any purpose. The removal of baggage and effects was a problem. The foreigners were allowed to go in and out without being actually stopped, but always in the face of a restless crowd of very angry-looking and entirely irresponsible people. Each time we went outside of the gate our lives were in danger and we always heard such expressions as "KILL THE FOREIGNERS," "DOWN WITH THE IMPERIALISTS," "CHINA FOR THE CHINESE," "TAKE BACK THE HOSPITAL PROPERTY," "KILL ALL THE CHRISTIANS."

A GUNBOAT ARRIVES.

We tried in every way to get help in removing some of our trunks. The workmen were willing and ready to earn a little money, but the strikers drove them off, and threatened their lives. We were isolated, disgraced, insulted and embarrassed. Seeing that the only way to get our trunks off the Compound was to remove them ourselves, the four American men on the Mission Station undertook with great difficulty the task.

As we went down the streets we were surrounded by an angry mob, howling threats and insults at us as we carried our heavy loads to the shipping office. At times the situation was tense with excitement and danger. One wrong move on the part of the foreigners would, without doubt, have caused violence.

We had notified the American Consul-General in Canton of the situation. He gave good counsel and advice and it was exceedingly fortunate for us and our safety at Wuchow that the American gunboat *Pampanga* came up to our relief from Hongkong, arriving March 28th.

Had this gunboat been one or two days later in arriving, perhaps the writer would not now be telling the story. The presence of the *Pampanga* greatly strengthened our precarious position.

Under the Command of Lieut.-Comdr. G. W. Dugger, conferences were arranged on the *Pampanga* with the Chinese officials, and the matter of protection of all foreigners and the American property of the Mission was insisted upon. The Secretary of Foreign Affairs tried in every way to help, but the Military Headquarters gave him no support, and his hands were tied. The Secretary of Foreign Affairs is the official representative of the foreigners to the other Chinese officials.

VALUABLE ASSISTANCE.

The Chief of Police tried to help and protect but Bolshevism knows nothing of law and order, and the mass of strikers and pickets seemed to have entire control. Outnumbered by national movement the police could not afford to clash with the sentiment of the populace as expressed in their agitation and hatred and numerous demonstrations.

In the name of the United States Government and all fairness under the existing treaties appeals were made to every official department represented at Wuchow, which is a treaty port, but little help or protection was offered.

Finally, after two days' hard work and under the cover of the American gunboat the missionaries managed to get their baggage out to the river bank. No armed force was actually landed, but it seemed exceedingly dangerous for us as we went back and forth to the Mission Compound.

We are quite frank to say, and with all possible emphasis, that without the American gunboat and the assistance of the officers and men we would in all probability have been forced to evacuate without any of our effects or hospital equipment and leave the hospital, kindergarten, girls' school, and the five mission residences at the mercy of the rabble to be looted and damaged.

Having loaded our baggage on the river bank, the men from the *Pampanga* assisted us in moving it to a Customs boat, and it was towed to the side of the gunboat. Without this assistance we could not have taken anything away.

The seal of the American Navy was placed on the doors of the property, and all foreigners evacuated the Compound and Hospital at 11.00 a.m. April 3rd, 1926. We left immediately for Canton under the protection of the American Navy aboard the hospital motorboat *Donnack*.

The property is at the mercy of the strikers, but the Wuchow police department have promised to give protection. We paid the Police Department H.K. \$300 for salary and equipment for ten policemen, and will arrange to forward further salaries as agreed.

The pitiful part of the situation, as we see it now, is that the radicals in China under the influence of Bolsheviki propaganda, are demanding less Consular and Naval protection for foreigners residing in China. They offer no help through the officials to the foreigners in times of danger and opposition, and it is yet to be demonstrated that they have the ability to maintain law and order among their own nationals. We fear that our experience during these trying days calls for better protection of the lives of the foreigners and foreign property and a fuller enforcement of existing treaties.

(Sd.) GEO. W. LEAVELL
Superintendent,
Stout Memorial Hospital.
Canton, April 5th, 1926.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A CORRECTION.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—In the course of the Report by the *Daily Press* on Friday last, of the proceedings in the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council on Thursday last the following paragraph occurs:—

"KOWLOON ROAD IMPROVEMENT.
Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, referring to a vote of \$22,000 for improvements to the junction of Nathan and Gascoigne Roads, said he noticed that the surfacing was to be macadam."

The Chairman said the method originally suggested by the Hon. Member would have cost \$25,000.

The above report of what the Chairman (the Colonial Secretary) said is incorrect. What he said was:—

"The method originally suggested would cost \$45,000, and the material for surfacing has been altered to macadam as suggested by the Honourable Member."

I should be much obliged if you would kindly insert this correction in your next issue of the *Daily Press*.—Yours faithfully,
H. E. POLLOCK
Prince's Buildings,
28th, April, 1926.

THE LATEST COUP 'AT CANTON.

HAS DR. C. C. WU RESIGNED?

GENERAL CHIANG KAI SHEK AND THE STRIKE PICKETS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

What has been reported as the sudden dismissal of Mr. Wu Te Chen, Commissioner of Police at Canton, and the partial disarming of his Army Division, on the 24th inst., is now explained by the Canton Press to be voluntary resignation—“a compliance by the authorities with his desire to be relieved of all other offices, so that he may devote his full time to the development of an efficient army.”

Sources of information authorized by the Kuomintang have it that General Wu Te Chen has never willingly acquiesced in the dictatorship of General Chiang Kai Shek and that General Chiang, in taking action over the head of the Provincial Political Council and the Municipal Commission to which the Commissioner of Police is responsible for the conduct of his police affairs, is extended to show Mr. Wu and others in Canton that his dictatorship must be respected.

General Chiang Kai Shek has always stood for administrative efficiency, but it is said, he has never been satisfied with the way the Police have been allowing the strike pickets and labour unions to have all the lawless liberty they desired. Instead of arresting, in accordance with law, those who have committed murder or assault and battery, the Canton Police, it has been alleged, have allowed the guilty to be at large.

The new Police Commissioner, Mr. Lee Chang Tet, forcibly took over the office on instruction of the Military Council only, without awaiting a commission from the Provincial Council at the recommendation of the acting Mayor, Dr. C. C. Wu.

Friends of Dr. Wu in Canton, according to a report, are advising Dr. Wu to resign at the first opportunity. It is suggested that he will be sooner or later ousted by General Chiang Kai Shek, whose interference with the Police under Dr. Wu's supervision without reference to him is regarded by many as an insult to him.

[Reports were current in Hongkong yesterday that Dr. Wu had tendered his resignation.—Ed.]

THE CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

STRIKE PICKETS AND THE TRAIN SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

On account of a difference of opinion regarding the method of inspection along the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, the management may have to suspend the express train service at present in operation and revert to the old arrangement, says the Chinese press. It appears that the strike pickets employed in searching Chinese passengers booked to or from Hongkong appear to have some objection to the present schedule in connection with their examination of passengers going to or coming from the British section of the line.

STUDENT TROUBLES IN CANTON.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Reds have now brought conflict into five student bodies in Canton.

In the Canton Christian College they are openly agitating for the taking over of the institution by the Kuomintang as reparation for the recent dismissal of three Kuomintang students for misconduct.

The student nurses in the Kuang Yee Nursing School are being intimidated by the Reds into opposing their American principal.

In the Holy Trinity College, the Reds, although few in number, are still able to disturb the relationship between the British teaching staff and the student body.

All non-Bolshevistic members of the Arts Faculty of Kwangtung University have resigned as a protest against the dean, who is alleged to be ultra-Red. The Red students have organized a student union of their own and published circulars announcing that they alone constitute the Students' Union of Kwangtung Province.

THE WING ON CASE. PROFESSOR SHELLSHEAR GIVES EVIDENCE.

NO NEED FOR LANTERN DEMONSTRATION.

The Wing On Bank case, in which Au Kim Lui and Lam Fook Chiu are charged with conspiracy to defraud the Wing On Bank of \$50,000, was resumed yesterday before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan).

Mr. F. C. Jenkin and Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. C. G. Alabaster and Mr. E. J. Zeitlyn (instructed by Messrs. d'Almada and Nephew and Messrs. G. K. Hall Brutton) appeared for the defendants.

EXPERT EVIDENCE.

Professor J. H. Shellshear, who occupies the Chair of Anatomy at the Hongkong University, was called by the prosecution to give expert evidence concerning the various books, chops, and labels.

It had been suggested that a lantern demonstration should be given in the cellars, but His Lordship, the jury, and counsel, were satisfied with the explanations given by Professor Shellshear, and the demonstration was cancelled.

Witness said that he had had experience of microscopic instruments for 20 years. In the present case he had taken a number of photographs of the genuine and the alleged forged chops. He found that they varied considerably. In the deposit book, "Ema" the chop should be resolved into two distinct halves as they appeared across the centre between two stitched pages. These halves, were in one book marked by different impressions, and they did not conform to the Company's chop, because one of the halves had been inversely applied.

Replying to Mr. Jenkin, witness said that he was positive that the impressions had not been made by a single impression of the Company's chop.

Questioned with regard to the two labels fixed on the two deposit books, one of which is stated to be a forgery, he said that the figures on the label which he found on "Nina" were longer than those on the labels on any other book which he had examined. He had taken 10 books in all, which he had chosen, at random from a bundle which had been brought to him. He also found that the colour and texture of the books, "Nina," and "Ema" varied. "Ema" had also a double row of stitching at the back, whereas "Nina" had one only.

LABELS REMOVED.

He was of opinion that one label was taken from the cover of one book and affixed to another. He had not the slightest doubt about that, because the two labels did not tally. The pigment which he found on one label showed that it had been removed from the cover of another book.

Cross-examined by Mr. Zeitlyn, witness said that the label was torn off the original book. He was certain that it was so, owing to certain marks which he found on the label. The label had not necessarily been taken off hurriedly. He had even experimented with moisture, but he had found it impossible to remove the label without its being marked.

Mr. Zeitlyn handed witness a book with the label removed, and said that it had been taken off by means of wet blotting paper.

Professor Shellshear said that it was quite possible, but he personally had not tried to remove the label with blotting paper or with a sponge.

Mr. Zeitlyn asked whether he found any pigment on the label. After examining it, witness said that he found traces of pigment on it.

DIFFERENCES IN THE BOOKS.

Replying to Mr. Alabaster, witness said that he had found marked differences in several of the books, which he had examined. On each of the labels were a number of stars. Some labels had 27 stars and others 28. Witness said that he was not an expert on printing matters.

THE CHIEF CASHIER'S EVIDENCE.

Kwok Woon Kwan, who was the chief cashier in the Wing On Bank in 1923, was the next witness called for the prosecution.

Replying to Mr. Jenkin, he said that when the case was heard at the Magistrate's Court, he had made up a list of the deposit books which were outstanding. He had not mentioned the two books on which a swindle had been perpetrated in 1923. He had been instructed to keep the matter secret, but he had been committed to the fraud, had been committed. He had no instructions in connection with the present case.

Mr. Jenkin: You deeply regret the error which you committed when you did not include those two books in the list you made out?—Yes.

Mr. Zeitlyn had briefly cross-examined witness, when the case was adjourned until this morning.

ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

COOLIES SENT TO PRISON FOR POSSESSION.

SEEN TO THROW CONTRABAND INTO HARBOUR.

A sequel to the sensational seizure made in the harbour recently of a number of Mauser pistols and ammunition (when two coolies were seen to throw sacks containing the contraband over the side of a sampan in an attempt to escape detection), took place at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Major C. Willson.

The two cargo coolies in question were charged with possession, on April 12th, of six Mauser pistols, 13 magazines, 330 ammunition clips, and 4,880 rounds of Mauser ammunition.

They were further charged with throwing three sacks containing the arms and ammunition overboard into the water for the purpose of preventing seizure.

Sub-Inspector Lane prosecuted for the police, and Mr. d'Almada Remedios appeared for the first defendant, and Mr. M. W. Lo for the second.

THROWN OVERBOARD.

A Chinese detective said that on April 12th, accompanied by another detective he got a motor boat and went into mid-stream. He saw both defendants on board a sampan, and also two women and another man. He bribed them and saw the first defendant throw some sacks overboard. He then boarded the sampan, which was brought to the wharf. The occupants of the sampan were detained, but the women and the master were later released.

Witness engaged two fishing boats to go out and look for the sacks, which were later recovered and taken to police headquarters. When the sacks were searched, the weapons mentioned in the charge were found, together with the ammunition clips, and 3,500 rounds of big ammunition and 880 rounds of small ammunition.

Another Chinese detective corroborated. The master of the sampan said his boat was engaged to go to a ship with a black funnel which was lying at No. 1 Buoy.

He did not know the name of the ship, but it was lying just off the "Star" Ferry Wharf. The arrangement made was that he should wait at the ship while the defendants went on board. This he did, and later some sacks were put into the sampan from the ship. After the sampan was hailed from the motor-boat, witness noticed that the sacks were missing.

Further corroborative evidence was given by the wife of witness, who was in the sampan at the time.

THE DEFENCE.

The first defendant, giving evidence, said that he was standing near the Chinese public dispensary, Yau-mat, when a man, who appeared to be a seaman, engaged him to board a vessel in the harbour and carry four sacks from the ship to Yau-mat. Witness, the second defendant and this man proceeded to the ship and the four sacks were put into the sampan. The seaman did not return in the sampan himself.

Witness went on to say that he accidentally knocked the sacks overboard.

Mr. Lindsell commented that it was useless for defendant to say he accidentally knocked them overboard when he had signed the statement he had made to the police that he threw them overboard, not knowing what they contained.

Mr. Remedios said that he did not propose to carry this witness any further.

The second defendant said he was a street coolie and did not know the first defendant, who, he said, saw him in Yau-mat on the date in question and asked him if he wanted a job, and then engaged him to go with him to the steamer. He denied that he threw any sacks overboard and added that he did not know what they contained.

Mr. Lindsell: If you did not throw them overboard, why did you tell the police so?

Defendant denied that he said so. Mr. Lindsell said that defendant's statement made to the police stated that when he saw the motor-boat he got frightened and pushed three sacks overboard.

Defendant in reply to a further question as to why he signed this statement, if it was not correct after it was read over to him, said that it was not read over to him.

Mr. Lindsell: You are lying.

Mr. Lo submitted that there was no evidence against the second defendant except his own statement.

Mr. Lindsell said there was his own admission and also corroborative evidence from other witnesses.

CONVICTED.

Both defendants were convicted and their weapons sentenced the first man to four years' hard labour, and the second man to three years' hard labour.

An order for the confiscation of the arms and ammunition was made.

WEDDING.

PASS-DAVIDSON.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Saturday, when Miss Elizabeth (Betty) Davidson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. E. Davidson, No. 3, King's Park Buildings, was married to Mr. Reginald Charles (Pass) Davidson, only son of Mr. and the late Mrs. C. A. Pass, formerly of Kobe, Japan.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay (Vicar) officiated, and Miss McGill presided at the organ.

The bride, who was charmingly attired in white tulle and georgette, with a charming train trimmed with orange blossoms, and wore an embroidered tulle veil with a wreath of orange blossoms, was given away by her father. The bride also carried a beautiful bouquet of Easter lilies.

The bridesmaids were Miss Irene Spradbery and Miss Sheila Whitley, and they both wore dresses of primrose yellow crepe de chine and silver lace aprons, with picture hats of yellow to match, and carried bouquets of roses.

The bride's mother wore a dress of apricot satin brocade, with a white hat trimmed with flowers to match her dress. The duties of best man were discharged by Mr. J. Davidson, cousin of the bride.

Following the Church ceremony, a reception was held at the Station Hotel, and later Mr. and Mrs. Pass left by the s.s. "President" for Japan, where the honeymoon is being spent. The bride's going away dress was of almond green crepe de chine and georgette.

THE PRESENTS.

The happy couple were the recipients of many handsome and useful presents, which included the following:—

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ANOTHER MIDAS.

MAGISTRATE AND THE "GOLD BASIS."

On Friday, a Chinese beggar woman was found in possession of ten English sovereigns. On Saturday, another Chinese was found to have three sovereigns in his possession.

"Things seem to be getting back to the gold basis," was the remark of Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

A Chinese was charged with failing to give a satisfactory explanation concerning a bag of rice which was found in his possession. When defendant was searched three gold sovereigns, \$103.25 in money, five American gold dollars, a gold ring, and a truck licence were found in his possession.

Defendant was in the employ of the owner of a Chinese shop, but the master, who was in Court, said that the rice did not belong to the shop.

Defendant was fined \$25.

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H. STRETTON HILL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1926. [3459]

ROYAL ARTILLERY ATHLETIC MEETING, 1926.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

ALEX. S. D. COULAND, Chairman.

[3453]

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

THE YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the SHEK 'O DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD., will be held in the Office of Messrs. PALMER & TURNER, on TUESDAY, the 27th APRIL, 1926, at 5.15 P.M., to adopt the Accounts for the Year ending the 31st DECEMBER, 1925, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,

P. M. HODGSON,

Secretary. [3425]

12th April, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 1st MAY, 1926, commencing at 3 P.M. The First Bell will be rung at 2.30 P.M.

The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all Persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform—Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain Admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right to introduce 2 Non-members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LINDSEY & DAVIS at \$5 each up to FRIDAY, 30th APRIL.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2. Each Member can obtain, upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for the Admission of 2 Ladies Free of Charge. [3447]

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1926. [3473]

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BIRTHS.

BICKERTON.—At Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. H. BICKERTON, a son.

HARDIE.—At Shanghai, on April 26th, to Captain and Mrs. H. HARDIE (China Navigation Co.), a daughter.

WORTHINGTON.—At Shanghai, on April 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. WORTHINGTON, a son.

DEATHS.

CAMPBELL.—At Tientsin, on April 7th, GEORGE KENNETH CAMPBELL, aged 39 years, dearly beloved husband of ANNA FRANCES.

HUNT.—At Newchwang, on April 6th, CHARLES HUNT, born at Barrow-in-Furness on December 23rd, 1871.

ENGAGEMENT.

The engagement is announced between Mr. JOHN R. F. CORLEY, Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, Hongkong, and Miss H. DOROTHY METCAL, daughter of the late Capt. W. H. and Mrs. METCAL, Vancouver, B.C. [3492]

Hongkong Office: 14, Chester Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 27th, 1926

MISSIONARIES & EXTRALITY.

During the past twelve months or so not a few Missionaries in China have expressed themselves as being in favour of the abrogation of the existing treaties between China and the Powers. We need hardly say that the Missionaries are far from unanimous on the subject. Indeed, we feel quite safe in saying that the Missionaries who advocate cancellation of the Treaties are a very small percentage of the whole. They labour under the impression that missionary enterprise in China would derive a great stimulus from such an act. It is to be hoped that those who think so will have their attention drawn to the statements which have been published by the Missionaries who have had under their direction the two important hospitals which have had to be closed in South China during the past two

months—the Canton Hospital, the largest and oldest medical institution in South China; and the scarcely less important institution known as the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow.

We gave some weeks ago extensive extracts from the long statement issued on behalf of the Committee of Management of the Canton Hospital, and to-day we reproduce a statement by Dr. G. W. LEAVELL, the Superintendent of the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow, describing the circumstances which forced the American Southern Baptist Mission to suspend its benevolent work in the principal port of Kwangsi Province. It is a statement that no one interested in the subject of extraterritoriality—least of all the International Body of Jurists now investigating the demand for abolition—can afford to ignore. Here we have it plainly shown that the American missionaries concerned were prepared to sign a document which included the declaration that: "We, the American Missionaries, earnestly desire to assist the Chinese Government in its recovery of Customs autonomy and in the abrogation of the unfair treaties imposed by the Powers with oppression." We might perhaps read this declaration with an understanding of it different to that of those who forced this declaration upon the Missionaries. Every reasonable man, of course, would earnestly desire to "assist the Chinese Government" to do these things by ensuring good administration; but the Chinese Bolsheviks desire to see them accomplished at once, while effective government everywhere in China is entirely wanting. Much as every foreigner must desire to see China raise herself to the same plane as the nations with whom the Powers feel safe in entering into "equal treaties," it is patent in all parts of the country that it is as yet premature to think of surrendering extraterritoriality in China. The stories connected with the closing of these two important hospitals in South China are very convincing on that point. Even Dr. LEAVELL, who at an earlier stage in the trouble was prepared to acquiesce in, if not to welcome the abolition of the "so-called unfair treaties," was finally constrained to write:

"The pitiful part of the situation, as we see it now, is that while the radicals in China under the influence of Bolshevik propaganda, are demanding less Consular and Naval protection for foreigners residing in China, they offer no help through the officials to the foreigners in times of danger and opposition, and it is yet to be demonstrated that they have the ability to maintain law and order among their own nationals. We fear that our experience during these trying days calls for better protection of the lives of the foreigners and foreign property and a fuller enforcement of existing treaties."

During the past three-quarters of a century there has been a steadily growing stream of money coming to China from England, Europe and America for Christian missionary work. In recent years the support of medical missions in China has been especially favoured. The publication abroad of the circumstances which have led to the suspension of these hospitals and other Christian missionary effort associated with them must inevitably have the effect of diverting that stream of foreign charity for years to come, unless adequate guarantees are speedily forthcoming which will warrant the Societies in resuming their work. It is patent that until effective government is established it is impossible to expect such guarantees.

A Chinese youth was slightly injured by being knocked down by a motor-car on the Praya East on Sunday.

We are officially informed that quarantine restrictions have been imposed in Hongkong against Saigon on account of cholera.

The Very Rev. Father Robert returned to the Colony from Shanghai yesterday by the *President Jefferson*.

An employee of the Wo Fat Silk Co., 63, Belcher Street, absconded during the week-end with \$870 belonging to the shop.

It has been reported to the police that the managing partner of the Cheong Fat Import and Export shop, 6, Li Sing Street, has absconded with \$6,000 belonging to the firm.

Major S. A. Ransom, the Second-in-Command of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, has been transferred to the Reserve of Officers, after 30 years of valuable active service in the Corps.

We are informed by the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., Ltd., that, owing to faulty cable connection, telegrams to and from Shanghai and beyond are subject to delay.

A Chinese has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a dog bite. The dog is owned by Mr. S. M. Wong, 4, D'Aguiar Street, and has been sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

Before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was fined \$25 with the alternative of 14 days' imprisonment for the theft of a cable belonging to the Hongkong Electric Company.

A houseboy at the servants' quarters of 5, Humphrey's Buildings, Kowloon, reported to the Police on Sunday, that someone had entered his room while he was away on holiday and had stolen jewellery and money to the value of \$1,517.

Mr. Dick Norton and his concert party, returned to Hongkong yesterday on the s.s. *President Hayes*, after a very successful season in the North. They will give another series of entertainments at the Star Theatre Kowloon, during the coming week-end, after which they will proceed to Manila.

Singapore is suffering from a water shortage according to the latest mail. For the month of April to the 17th, the rainfall was of an inch, was the lowest in Municipal records going back to 1879. The rainfall during January, February and March was 13 inches below the average.

The death is announced in Kobe of Mr. R. R. JACKSON who came to Japan eight years ago for Messrs. Harrison and Crossfield, Ltd. He became acting manager of this firm in 1923, following the death of Mr. GIBBLE. He is survived by a widow (née Sadie Russell) and two children. He was 33 years of age.

Among the passengers arriving in the Colony by the s.s. *President Hayes* yesterday were Mr. L. Everett, Manager of the Struthers and Barry Steamship Company, at Shanghai; and Capt. O. Peas, Marine-Superintendent of the San Peh S.S. Navigation Company, who is proceeding to Manila on a business trip.

A Chinese cook was taken to the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday, following an attempt at suicide by swallowing a quantity of opium. A coolie in the employment of the Hongkong Club swallowed some liniment which had been supplied to him for external use. He was taken to hospital suffering from atropine poisoning.

It is now announced that the Moscow State Ballet will give their first performance in the Queen's Theatre on Friday next. The first part of their programme will consist of the representation of "The Fire Bird," an oriental ballet adapted from the tale of the Arabian nights. The second part will comprise a number of varied items. There will be a complete change of programme on Sunday and again on the following Tuesday.

The funeral of the late Lieutenant William Leslie Berridge, B.N., commander of Submarine L15 attached to H.M.S. *Amphrose* of the China Squadron, whose death occurred at the General Hospital, Penang, on April 10th after a tragic accident at the Penang Swimming Club, took place at the Western Road Cemetery with full naval honours and was attended by Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander Sinclair, Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, all the officers of the Squadron now in port, the Hon. Mr. Peel, C.M.G., President Councillor, Penang, and local military officers.

The Post Office dealt with three inward mails yesterday, each of which was fairly heavy. There was the home mail, consisting of papers via Negapatam, and the Straits mail, by the s.s. *Saarbrücken*, which arrived late on Sunday afternoon, having been delayed by fog, while there was also the mail from Home and Europe via Siberia, which arrived by the s.s. *President Jefferson* late on Sunday afternoon, this vessel also having been held by the weather. In addition the *Jefferson* brought letters and papers from Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai. Yesterday morning the s.s. *President Hayes* arrived with a very heavy mail, over 500 bags, from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai.

DEPARTURE OF OLD RESIDENTS.

MR. AND MRS. A. DENISON.

Old links with the Colony will be broken to-day by the departure of Mr. and Mrs. A. Denison. Mr. Denison has spent upwards of 45 years in Hongkong, while Mrs. Denison was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Grant Smith, two very old residents of the Colony, and a niece of the late Mr. Findlay Smith who was a resident of the Colony for nearly sixty years. Mr. and Mrs. Denison were married in 1862.

As an architect and civil engineer, Mr. Denison has played no unimportant part in the marvellous development of the Colony. He came here in 1881 and joined the late Mr. W. Danby. His first work in the Colony was on the design and construction of the original Taihook Sugar Refinery, and other early work included the No. 1 Dock at Kowloon and the Kowloon Wharves & Godowns.

Mr. Denison is able to look back upon the whole development of the Peak as a residential district, for his connection with the Colony goes back long prior to the construction of the Peak tramway. He was, in fact, one of the pioneers at Magazine Gap, and also of the Kennedy Road district.

To residents of more recent years, Mr. Denison has been known as the "senior partner" of the firm of Messrs. Denison, Ram & Gibbs. Mr. Denison entered into partnership with Mr. E. A. Ram in 1897, and they were joined in 1900 by Mr. L. Gibbs. Mr. Denison retired from the firm in March last year.

His favourite recreation has always been yachting, and the success of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, of which he is one of the oldest members and a past Commodore, owes much to his enthusiasm and generous support.

Mr. and Mrs. Denison are leaving for Europe by the *President Hayes*, and we need hardly say that they carry with them the good wishes of a host of friends in the Colony in which they have spent the greater part of their lives.

ASSAULT ON COL. HAYLEY BELL.

KUOMINTANG'S REGRETS AND ASSURANCES.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Colonel Hayley Bell, Commissioner of Canton Maritime Customs, who was assaulted by strike pickets near the East Gate, Shamen, the other day, has been assured by the Kuomintang, through Mr. Foo Ping Sheung, Superintendent of Customs, that a stop would be put to future outrages of this character, at the same time regretting the unpleasant incident.

The Kuomintang has also instructed the Canton Strike Committee not to interfere with foreigners contrary to law.

THREATENED POSTAL STRIKE.

COMPROMISE PRACTICALLY ARRANGED AT CANTON.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

It is confidently expected that the threatened Canton postal strike will be averted. Discussions have taken place between the Postal Commissioner and the strikers' representatives, as a result of which a basis of agreement has been outlined, and upon the mediation of the Kuomintang Commissioner of Labour and Agriculture the Postmen's Union has decided to suspend the strike to enable the suggested arrangements to be put into definite form.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

INCREASED EFFICIENCY DESIRED.

Invitations are being issued

CABLE AND WIRELESS NEWS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

THE NEW BUDGET.
TAX ON BETTING
FORESHADOWED.

Rugby, April 25th.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, will present his annual national Budget statement to the House of Commons to-morrow.

No important remissions of taxation are expected this year, but some readjustment of burdens is anticipated. During the past financial year, the revenue has substantially exceeded the estimate, but so also did expenditure, and it is not anticipated that the cost of the coal subsidy will be an added complication. Whereas in his last year's Budget, the Chancellor had looked for an expenditure of £901,000,000 which on his estimated revenue would have given him a surplus of £1,680,000, the nation actually spent £893,087,778. This, after the increase in revenue is taken into account, left him with a net deficit of £14,033,120. Of this total expenditure, £36,000,000 was used for the repayment of debt. The nation had set itself to repay £30,000,000 and although it was not able to fulfil this resolve, the amount that was repaid represents in fact a surplus on the right side so far as the national accounts are concerned. Thus, despite the book-keeping deficit with which Mr. Churchill is faced, Britain is still balancing her accounts.

Some further developments in luxury taxation are anticipated and a tax on betting is foreshadowed.

Although the French Finance Minister has postponed his engagement to visit London for a discussion with the Chancellor on the outstanding points of the French debt settlement, it is probable that the Chancellor may be able to refer to the receipts expected from France during the coming year as the result of negotiations now reported to be proceeding on this specific point.

THE COAL CRISIS.

BUSY WEEK-END FOR THE PRIME MINISTER.

Rugby, April 25th.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, remained in town over the week-end and was engaged on work in connection with the Secretary for Mines yesterday. The negotiating committees of both owners and miners will probably be summoned to meet him to-morrow.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSO-GERMAN TREATY.

SINISTER NOTE IN M. LITVINOFF'S SPEECH.

Moscow, April 25th.

"We might be glad," said M. Litvinoff in the course of a much applauded speech justifying the conclusion of the Russo-German Treaty in "Having extracted the anti-Soviet sting from the Locarno Treaty." He declared the new Treaty was inspired by peaceful aims, but, if as the Soviets always suspected, the Locarno pact contemplated the creation of an anti-Soviet combination, then the treaty with Berlin would be a contradiction to Locarno.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

UNEASY FEELING IN POLAND.

Warsaw, April 25th.

The newspapers are most uneasy and most angry as they foresee embarrassments arising from the Russo-German agreement, which the *Nowy Kurjer Poleski* says renegeates just what Locarno aimed at abolishing, namely, mutual private alliances. It accuses Germany, by a unilateral act, of ignoring all the duties devolving on her from Article sixteen of the League Covenant.

GALLIPOLI.

11TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS IN LONDON.

London, April 25th.

The eleventh anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli was celebrated to-day when those who served in the famous 29th Division, assembled on the Horse Guards parade and afterwards marched to the Cenotaph, where wreaths were laid at its base.

General Sir Ian Hamilton, who was Commander-in-Chief at Gallipoli afterwards took the salute.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOROCCAN WAR.

RIFFIANS GIVEN TIME LIMIT FOR PEACE AGREEMENT.

Tunis, April 25th.

The Franco-Spanish Governments have fixed May 1st as the time limit for the conclusion of negotiations with the Riffis. If no agreement is reached, then the Franco-Spanish troops will resume the offensive.

POLAR EXPEDITIONS.

ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT IN THE RACE NORTHWARD.

London, April 25th.

The latest move in connection with the race to the Pole is contained in the report from Oslo that the steamer *Chantier*, with the Byrd expedition aboard, passed Tromsø Fjord yesterday, and was met at sea by a Norwegian steamer which transferred to the *Chantier* "certain equipment."

THE INDIAN RIOTING.

PROPOSAL TO INCREASE NUMBER OF EUROPEAN POLICE.

Calcutta, April 25th.

The local branch of the European Association has proposed that the Bengal Government draft additional Europeans into the police force as the present Europeans have undergone a continuous strain for the last three weeks. It contends that the preponderating Hindu element in the police force makes its impartiality suspect, though the Association does not suspect it.

The Marwari Chamber of Commerce has drawn the attention of the Governor to the "entire suppression of trade," and urges immediate measures.

The British Indian Association says that the Governor's presence in Calcutta is "extremely desirable."

BIG CASUALTY LIST.

LATER.

Hitherto twenty-three have been killed and at least two hundred injured as a result of the Hindu-Muslim disorders. The situation continued disquieting to-day. The native portion of the city has presented a gloomy and deserted appearance.

Three Moslems were wounded by shots when Hindus attacked a funeral party conveying the bodies of two Moslems to the cemetery. Later a Hindu was stabbed in the street with the result that a regular inter-communal fight commenced which only ceased after the police had fired into the mob wounding a number.

Isolated cases of looting, assaults, and other crimes continue in the Indian quarters of the city. In all thirty persons were sent to hospital to-day including nine with gunshot wound. Armoured cars have patrolled the city throughout the day.

FRENCH FINANCES.

BUDGET AS A WHOLE ADOPTED BY CHAMBER.

Paris, April 25th.

The Chamber has adopted the whole of the 1936 Budget by 427 votes to 153.

LATER.

The Chamber, discussing the Budget, has passed the clause establishing an independent redemption fund. It has also passed Clause 1, which fixes the Budget at 37,376,000,000 francs expenditure and 37,517,000,000 revenue.

A GERMAN PROBLEM.

QUESTION OF CONFISCATING EX-RULERS' PROPERTY.

Berlin, April 25th.

Over twelve millions of voters have demanded a plebiscite to decide whether the entire property of the ex-rulers should be confiscated without compensation. The Government is therefore compelled constitutionally to submit a Bill to the Reichstag and it does so with a heavy heart, however, declaring in a Proclamation, that confiscation without compensation is opposed to the principles of justice. It is expected that the Government will do its utmost to effect a compromise.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

KARAKHAN'S POLICY UPHELD BY SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

Moscow, April 25th.

In a speech before the Central Soviet Executive Committee, M. Litvinoff, before declaring that the Soviet Government must do everything in its power to remove the present deadlock in Anglo-Russian relations, referred to the position of China, and said that the Soviet Government did not conceal its sympathies with the "national liberation movement" of China but had rigidly adhered to the principle of non-interference with China's internal affairs and was trying to maintain normal relations with Central and Local Governments of China. M. Karakhan was pursuing their policy in this spirit with the full approval of the Soviet Government.

The Soviet was striving to maintain normal relations with Marshal Chang Tso Lin, and he mentioned that they had just concluded an agreement with him in regard to the Chinese Eastern Railway.

Russia's friendly relations with Japan continued, M. Litvinoff added, that friendship being one of the basic problems of the Soviet foreign policy.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRANCO-SYRIAN WAR.

DRUSE CAPITAL FALLS BEFORE FRENCH FORCES.

Beirut, April 25th.

The French troops captured Saida, the capital of the Jebel Druses to-day after six hours fighting.

LATER.

Druses engaged in the defence of Saida were estimated as being over six thousand strong. They desperately resisted the French attacks and suffered heavy losses. The French captured two guns.

PERSIA'S NEW SHAH.

WEEK'S FESTIVITIES OPEN AT TEHRAN.

Tehran, April 25th.

The new Shah has been crowned, and the ceremony will be followed by a week's festivities, including the opening of the wireless station, and night-time illuminations and fireworks. Receptions are being arranged by the various Legations.

THE SPANISH FLIGHT.

MADRID-MANILA AVIATORS REACH SAIGON.

Saigon, April 25th.

The Spanish aviators who are flying from Madrid to Manila have arrived here.

OBITUARY.

MR. ARTHUR HASSAM.

London, April 25th.

The death is announced of Mr. Arthur Hassam, ex-Mayor of Newcastle-under-Lyme, Consulting Engineer to the Peking Syndicate, and a life-long friend of Sir Joseph Cook, with whom he began work as a miner in Staffordshire.

SIR SHADFORTH WATTS.

London, April 25th.

The death is also announced of Sir Shadforth Watts, the Chairman of the Shipping Federation, and for many years one of Britain's foremost shipping personalities in the shipping world.

EX-EMPEROR OF KOREA.

Tokyo, April 25th.

A message from Seoul announces the death of ex-Emperor Li, of Korea.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICAN OUTRAGE RECALLED.

RE-TRIAL ORDERED OF ALLEGED MURDERERS.

Mexico City, April 25th.

There was a re-echo of a celebrated case to-day when the Supreme Court ordered the re-trial of Alejo Garcia and Francisco Ruiz, who were sentenced to death for the alleged murder of Mrs. Evans, the wife of a British subject, in 1924. The Court held that the original trial was full of errors. The order automatically stays the death sentence.

MOSCOW AND THE CANTON. COUP.

ROULETS FOR THE STRIKERS.

The Riga correspondent of *The Times* in a telegram on March 28th said:

A chastened spirit is manifest among Russian Communist leaders in consequence of Chang Kai Shek's coup at Canton. Only on Thursday the *Izvestia* declared that Canton was a Communist stronghold which nothing might shake and whence revolution would radiate and embrace the whole of China. The Soviet Press is now saying that Communism has experienced merely a temporary set-back, and makes an appeal for financial assistance in order to hearten the Chinese revolutionaries.

It is officially announced that Soviet trade unions during the past few days have sent about 60,000 roubles to the Chinese strikers to prevent their spirits from flagging. The central committee of the trade unions has debited this sum to various trade unions. The Society for Helping Communists Abroad has issued an inflammatory appeal to Chinese workmen, peasants, and students to mobilize the entire Chinese for the purpose of opposing those who are challenging the revolutionary movement.

THE KEY RAILWAY OF CHINA.

LUNG-HAI TO MOUTH OF YANGTZE.

PROJECTION ON WHICH MASTER MINDS ARE WORKING.

A correspondent writing to the *N. C. Daily News* from Yencheng, Ku, says: Of the railways built and projected here, the most important is perhaps least known. This is a short piece, only 200 miles long, to connect the Lung-Hai with the mouth of the Yangtze. It is inevitable, but who will seize the strategic opportunity? Imagine some man of foresight years ago grasping the importance of rail connection between New York and Washington or London and Paris.

The Lung-Hai as we know was projected by the old Russian regime. In 1898, the plan being for Russia to build a line through Kashgar and connect with this China, thoroughfare. The fact that the final contract for the Lung-Hai was closed after the world war, shows that master minds are behind the project, and we may visualize a *de luxe* express from Europe, not through Siberia with its icebound ports, but right through the heart of China, right through the coal and iron fields, down to Haichow!

This despised Haichow must become a place of importance. But trans-Pacific lines will hardly debouch so far northward. The *de luxe* must reach the mouth of the Yangtze. Foreseeing this, H. E. Chang Chien is already building a road bed, whether for motors or for rail. But funds must come from somewhere, where?

Western business is not going to be run out of China. The farseeing man will look beyond this struggle with the Reds, and lay foundations. Indeed, the man in the street, seeing Russia, France, Belgium, Holland, putting funds into the Lung-Hai, wonders whether this rail nexus may not play an important part in the political as well as the economical future.

KARAKHAN UNRECOGNIZED.

AMBASSADOR ACCUSED OF BRIBERY.

SWEEPING ALLEGATIONS BY MARSHAL CHANG.

The Mukden correspondent of the *Eastern News Agency* says:

Marshal Chang Tso Lin is reported to be refusing to recognize Ambassador Karakhan on the ground that the latter has bribed and interfered with the appointment of high Chinese officials, incited Chinese students and supplied the Kuomintang troops with arms and ammunition. Marshal Chang also refuses to guarantee protection for the members of the Soviet Embassy in Peking. It is noteworthy that the Moscow Government are so far silent after the withdrawal from Peking of the Kuomintang troops.

PEAK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE ELECTED.

A meeting of the Peak Residents' Association was held at the Peak Club last evening for the purpose of electing officers and a general committee for the current year.

There was a fair attendance of members and residents, and during the meeting reference was made to the work of the Association during the strike of last year. The opinion was expressed that the Association had a bright future in front of it, and it was felt that there would be opportunity presented for much useful work to be accomplished.

Officers and Committee were elected as under:—Chairman, Mr. D. J. Lewis; Vice-Chairman, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton; Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell; Committee, Mr. H. A. Nisbet, Dr. G. D. R. Black, Mrs. E. Davidson, Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, A. Murdoch, F. C. Hall, W. C. Shiner and A. S. MacKichan.

"THE PERFECT HUSBAND." CHINESE PLAY AT ST. ANDREW'S YOUNG MEN'S CLUB.

As a finale to their series of popular winter social gatherings, the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club are staging on Friday, a play taken from the Chinese, entitled "A Perfect Husband."

As the name suggests the play is a farcical one; there are no perfect husbands in real life. It promises to be both interesting and amusing, however, as it should give a good idea of Chinese humour. The play has been translated by Mrs. M. K. Vessona who is also producing it with the assistance of Mr. E. M. Doodha and other friends. Mr. Doodha has been responsible for providing the correct costumes.

The cast is as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Wu, Rev. Geo. E. Arrow-smith and Mrs. M. K. Vessona.

Kwai Fah (Wu's daughter), Mr. P. Sanda.

Mr. and Mrs. Yeung, Mr. E. Nicholls and Miss M. Mason.

Yeung Tai (Yeung's son—The Perfect Husband), Frank N. W. Doodha.

Hui Hing (a slave or mui tsai), Miss M. White.

Male attendants, Messrs. Mackenzie and F. Nicholls.

Pak Kap (a marriage broker), Mr. J. H. Bannister.

PROPERTY SALES.

At the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. V. M. de Souza held two property sales.

The first lot disposed of was a leasehold property at No. 110, Queen's Road Central, with an area of about 1,080 square feet.

The upset price was \$80,000 and this was advanced by bids of \$1,000 and finally knocked down to Mr. Po Man Ying, c/o the Chuen Kee shop, Queen's Road Central, for \$75,500.

The second property sold is situated near the Tannery at Ma Tau Kok, Kowloon, and was auctioned by order of the mortgagee. The property consists of four newly built messuages abutting on a new public road and a piece of vacant ground at the rear. The total area of the lot is 7,800 square feet, of which the messuages occupy about 3,720 square feet. The Crown Rent payable in respect of the property is \$44 annually.

This property was put up at \$10,000, and following one bid of \$100, was knocked down to Mr. Chan Ming.

BRITAIN'S HOT EASTER.

The hottest Easter for 25 years was thoroughly enjoyed by Londoners. Apart from the unprecedented exodus to the Continent, especially to France, English seaside resorts were unusually crowded. It is remarkable that there was freedom from accidents and police court cases. For instance, at Southend, not a single case of drunkenness was reported, and at Hampstead, which was visited by half a million people, there were only four cases of drunkenness in the police court. In four days at Brighton 21,000 motor-cars passed the Aquarium, a once notorious danger spot, without a mishap.

We ought to be able to go on with our work, not for eleven months, but for eleven years, without a holiday.—*Dr. Orlinton Miller.*

PRINCE AND SCOTSMEN. "CHIVALRY AND LOYALTY." THE MINISTER'S NIGHTCAP.

The Prince of Wales presided at the 143rd anniversary festival banquet of the Highland Society of London at the Hotel Victoria last month. He wore Highland dress, with a kilt of Royal Stuart tartan, and he was piped in to the tune of "Highland Laddie." As president of the society his Royal Highness took the chair, and it fell to him to propose the toast of the King and of the other members of the Royal Family.

The Prince, in proposing the toast of the society, said: After an interval of a few years I am very happy to be with you to-night as the president of this society, and especially because Highland gatherings are very pleasant to me. (Cheers.) Now this society was founded at a time when Highlanders were not so well known as they are to-day—that was, perhaps because their qualities and characteristics were not then properly understood, and the Highland Society of London has, I feel, been a means of great enlightenment in this respect. When I mention the word south to-night I mean England. It is a far cry from the hills and glens of Scotland to Northumberland-avenue, but the blood is strong, the heart is Highland, and with a touch of the mountains and tugs of the Western sea—and if the heart is sound we can't go far wrong. This society has done great things, and it should still keep the name Highland; but shall we call it Scottish for this evening? (Cheers.) Another thing that the society has done has been to give us a very good dinner to-night. (Laughter and cheers.)

There is a story that I heard recently of people who were entertaining the new minister, and they did not know what to give him to drink as a nightcap. (Laughter.) So they gave him a glass of whisky, and they put in some of their best whisky. (Laughter.) The next morning they could not find the minister, and after a little search they found that he had gone to the byre. (Laughter.) But he was not there when the searchers arrived. The man in charge was asked had he seen the minister, and he said, "Yes." They asked him what the minister said to him, and he replied, "He said I want the first call from the cow from which I had that milk." (Loud laughter.)

Ladies and gentlemen, I apologise for that. It is because I have not been in Scotland very much lately. As a matter of fact, I was there a week or two ago, and although my visit was very short I was able to get in a good deal in that time. (Laughter.) I enjoyed it in spite of the weather. I got a taste of Scotland in a hurry—"Caledonia stern and wild," as a distinguished officer whose name figures lower down on the toast list will agree; but I can assure you that there was no severity in the warmth of my reception in every quarter. (Cheers.) In the course of a somewhat crowded programme I took the opportunity to visit the birthplace of Robert Burns, the spirit of humanity, and thinking of the man and the poet in all the trials of his too short life, was glad to have been able to do so.

PIONEERS OF EMPIRE.

Now everyone knows Highlanders are a people of great pride and spirit, a race of great antiquity, a martial race with a romantic history, full of stirring deeds and incidents, very often somewhat blood-thirsty. But I do not intend to dwell on the dark and doubtful side of the picture. I prefer to think of the chivalry and loyalty of the Scotsmen—their deep attachment and devotion to their country; one of the main features of the Scottish and the Highland spirit that is shown in a thousand ways, and is the record of the Highland and Lowland regiments. (Cheers.) As Colonel-in-Chief of the Seaforth Highlanders and the Royal Scots Fusiliers, this is a point on which I might dwell, were I not confident that it will be adequately emphasised by those who are responsible for the toast of the British Services. I have not been to Scotland only in their own country. What is more important, I have been with them, travelled a good deal, and I have always found Scotsmen in the forefront of overseas settlement and development. They have played a great part in building up the Empire, and in all quarters of the globe one finds a strong Scottish element—in Canada, Australia, South Africa, and, indeed, wherever one goes overseas. These early pioneers endured a kind of hardship, and overcame every kind of difficulty and obstacle, leaving the way to success by their undaunted efforts. And they left their mark. There are no better settlers overseas than Scotsmen. I know that. They are splendid settlers and citizens, proud of their new homes, and proud of their old country. They take their traditions with them—they are part of their blood—and Highland music and dancing go with them too. (Cheers.)

Such is the appeal of the Highland dress that I found a kilted regiment among the troops of the paramount "Chief" of Bechnamaland, and though, when crossing the high Andes at a time when most of you were on the moors, there were no kilted to be seen, I came across many Highland names in Chile, the westernmost point of my travels. On my ranch in Canada, for instance, I have 4,000 acres, and you will be surprised to hear that I have only four hands, and those four hands are all Scotsmen. (Cheers.) All over the countries I have visited I have been met by pipe bands all over the United States of America—(laughter)—and I think that I am wearing to-night was given to me by Scots men and women in Buenos Aires in the Argentine. (Cheers.)

I am very proud of my connection with the Highlands and the Highland people, to wear Highland dress, and to be associated with their history and traditions, and, as president, I ask you to rise with me and drink prosperity to "The Highland Society of London." (Cheers.)

LOCAL SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

HONGKONG & DAVIS CUP TEAM.

Tennis enthusiasts will be interested to know that the Philippine Davis Cup representatives are passing through the Colony on the a.s. *Empress of Asia*, which is due in this morning, and arrangements have been made to match local stars against them during their short stay. The *Empress of Asia* sails next Friday.

According to the telegram from the Philippines Amateur Athletic Association received by Mr. H. de la Cruz, the Hon. Secretary of the local Filipino Club, the Philippines Davis Cup Team left Manila yesterday bound for Cebu where they will meet the winners of the Japan-Cuba match. The team is made up of four players, viz. Francisco Aragon, Guillermo Aragon, Barredo and Gonzales. The Aragon brothers will take part in the Doubles, and the two others in the Singles. Fargus was to have gone with the team, but on account of pressure of business had to remain behind.

MATCHES FOR THURSDAY.

It is a matter of great regret that the weather does not show promise of clearing up, as this is the first time that Hongkong has had a chance of meeting a Davis Cup Team. Mr. H. de la Cruz, acting with the approval of the P.A.A.F., was busy yesterday trying to fix up matches, and with Mr. J. D. Humphreys, Acting Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Cricket Club, the following have been arranged to be played, weather permitting at the H.K.C.C. ground on Thursday next, commencing at 4 p.m.—

SINGLES.—Barredo v. T. Honda.

DOUBLES.—F. Aragon and G. Aragon v. H. D. Rumsby and S. A. Rumsby.

Barredo is classed as No. 1 player in the Philippines and is the holder of the Open Singles Championship. Like the Aragon Brothers, he is a young but clever player and will no doubt give a good account of himself here against Honda, our champion in 1924. Barredo has recently beaten Fargus, champion for many years, and it will be recalled that Fargus beat our famous champion, Ng Sze Kwong, at the Olympic games in Shanghai in 1921. Honda has since beaten Ng Sze Kwong and also Francisco Aragon, the best of the Filipino Olympic contingent in 1923 in a match here, and particular interest will, therefore, centre in this match.

The Aragon Brothers are no strangers to this Colony. They took part in the matches here in 1923, when Hongkong beat the Philippines by two matches to one. They did not play doubles then, but showed themselves to be vivacious, though erratic, players. Since then, judging from reports they have improved a great deal and the Rumsbys will have to extend themselves to the last ounce of their strength and ability in order to win. Both pairs are holders of the doubles in their respective places. Gonzales is not known here, but comes with the reputation of being champion of the City of Manila. It is hoped that he also will be seen in action against a local player.

A feature of the Filipinos' play here in 1923 was their aggressive standard, which is the characteristic of American players. Tennis "fans" will, therefore, have an opportunity of witnessing some fast and bright play which will send their minds back to the visit of the American players last year, though how far the accuracy of the Filipinos will compare with that of the Americans, remains to be seen when they appear.

"AMATEUR STATUS."

There had been some talk in Manila that the United States Lawn Tennis Association would prohibit the Aragon Brothers from participating in the Davis Cup matches, but the *Manila Daily Bulletin*, after a careful study of the Rules, points out that "the fact that the Aragon Brothers are earning their bread and butter by running a sporting goods store cannot affect their amateur status. They are not paid for playing tennis, nor do they make use of their tennis ability as a livelihood. The fact that they are owners of a sporting goods store has nothing at all to do with the question. This is purely accidental."

HOCKEY.

The following will represent a Club Side against "O.C." Co. The East Surrey Regt., at the U.S.R.C. at 5.30 a.m. to-day:—F. N. Nicholls, H. C. Macnamara, W. H. Newman, A. B. Heit, E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), I. P. Ralph, R. K. Valentine, B. E. Foster, E. D. Lawrence, B. D. Evans and G. P. Lammert.

SHANGHAI SPRING RACES.

Despite the many changes that have taken place in our racing world, even since the last Autumn Meeting, it would not appear, says a writer in the *N.Y.C. Daily News*, that the classics, or the remnants of the ancient programmes, such as the Eclipse, the Critterions, Hart Legacy, etc., at the Spring Meeting will in any way be of a more open character. One expert says Blattock will win the Derby in a canter, another says Kismet will do it in a walk and a third says Mr. "Day's" chosen will roll home, and few look beyond these three stables, although there are, as ever, other owners, more or less new to the turf and sanguine as new owners ever will be, who are prepared to back their luck against money in a limited market, and consequently will burn their fingers. Even though a few crossbreds have been relegated to obscurity to suffer because of the qualities of Warrenfield, some half-breed animals—New Zealand, Old Bill, Whatecroft, Blattock, Young Bill and their class—remain as much superior to anything entitled to race with them as they were themselves inferior to Warrenfield and Bonnie Scotland.

STATE GOLF COURSES.

RICHMOND PARK SUCCESS.

The two public golf courses, in Richmond Park, the first of which was opened by the Prince of Wales in June, 1925, are to be taken over shortly by the Office of Works, and in future any profits which accrue will go to the Treasury. It will be remembered that the first course was started in the nature of an experiment largely through the instrumentality of Lord Riddell and a few friends who were convinced that a public golf course near London would fill a public want. Permission was obtained from the Office of Works to construct a course in Richmond Park, on condition that the cost of construction and maintenance was privately guaranteed. So popular was the course that it soon became necessary to lay down another one in order to relieve the congestion at weekends.

An official of the Office of Works told a representative of *The Daily Telegraph* that it had always been intended that the State should take over the courses, and in doing so the department was only exercising the right provided in the agreement with the guarantors. The transfer was being made sooner than was anticipated because the scheme had proved so successful and there was now no likelihood of its becoming a charge upon the Exchequer. Practically the whole of the capital expenditure had been repaid out of the takings, in addition to the upkeep and maintenance charges, and provision was being made in this year's estimates to pay off the small balance which remained on the capital expenditure.

GIRL UNCONSCIOUS FOR SIX MONTHS.

AN UNEXPLAINED CONDITION.

For six months a young woman named Doris Hinton, the daughter of a milkman living at Chilwell, a village near Nottingham, has been unconscious, and doctors and specialists cannot discover the cause of her condition. Apparently she is suffering from no organic disease. On October 9th, while listening to the wireless, she took off the head telephones and fell back on a sofa. It was thought that she had fainted, and a doctor was called, but he was unable to restore her to consciousness.

Some time afterwards the young woman was removed to Nottingham General Hospital, where she remained for three and a half months, but she never regained consciousness. Specialists came to the conclusion that she was suffering from a cataplectic condition following upon hysteria. As her condition showed no improvement she was sent to her home, where she remains in bed. The doctors state that her heart beats are strong and her breathing is normal. During the last two days her physical condition seems to have improved a little.—*The Times* (March 29th).

BILLIARDS.

DOCKYARD RECREATION CLUB FINAL.

The final of the billiards tournament at the Dockyard Recreation Club was played on Saturday night, the finalists being Mr. F. Black (minus 30) and Mr. E. Griffiths (plus 50).

The game was for 250 up, play being rather slow. Mr. Black won by 58 points, the scores being 250 to 192 in his favour. Mr. F. Brown presented the winner with a cup.

R.A. ATHLETIC MEETING.

The Royal Artillery annual Athletic Meeting is to be held on the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon, on Thursday, May 6th, and Friday, May 7th.

The open event on the second day is timed to begin at 3.10 a.m. this being a one-mile flat race open to the Royal Navy, European Garrison (including H.K.V.D.C.), Hongkong Police, and British residents.

The sports will commence each day at 2 p.m. On the Friday, Lieut.-Col. W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., R.A. (Commanding Officer) and the officers of the Royal Artillery, Hongkong, will be "At Home" to any of their friends between 3 and 6 p.m.

ECONOMICS OF SHINGLING.

THE RUSH TO THE BARBERS.

AMERICAN AND ENGLISH HAIRDRESSING.

American hairdressers have been "singing proud" over the economics of shingling and cognate embellishments. At the World Congress of Master Hairdressers which recently held its Convention in New York it was stated that 60,000,000 women and children spent 390,000,000 dollars (£78,000,000) in the "beauty parlours" of the United States last year, while there were now 135 training schools for the instruction of creators of feminine beauty, one alone turning out annually 2,000 "graduates," the usual fee for the course being £50.

What are the shingling economics on this side? Two master hairdressers in London—Mr. J. H. Browne, president of the Federation of Master Hairdressers, and Mr. G. E. Jackson, Registrar of the Hairdressers' Registration Council, have confessed themselves profound sceptics in the matter of shingling statistics. American or Anglo-Welsh, when challenged by an *Observer* representative.

"It is impossible to give authoritative figures, for they simply don't exist," said Mr. Browne. "All one can do is to—Then followed a calculation on these lines: There are nearly 15,000,000 women and girls over 14 in England and Wales, according to the last census. About half these are shingled. A woman spends on an average, say, 2s. 6d. every three weeks or so on a shingle-trim. She may pay 7s. 6d. if she is fastidious (or foolish) enough, and visit the saloon twice a week; or she may queue up with the men once in six weeks, read *Punch* and the morning paper, and pay the humble shilling. (There is a barber's, even in the heart of Soho, where this can be done.) The 2s. 6d., however, is the fair average. This gives a yearly expenditure of something over £15,000,000. Tips, the initial shingle at 2s. 6d. to 7s. 6d., or even one guinea, permanent waving, and other incidentals probably bring the total figure nearer £20,000,000.

"MUSHROOM 'TRAINING SCHOOLS'." One result of this shingling boom is that where there was about one hairdresser's saloon to every 1,000 people before the war, there are now three—and most of these employ double the number of assistants. Mushroom "training schools" have sprung up by the hundred; the profession is being flooded with young women "hairdressers" fostered on the illusion that they can walk into a £10 a week job, after six months' training. "I get dozens in my office every week," said Mr. Jackson, "and some of the cases are pathetic. They will never get jobs with any reputed firm. Not six months' superficial training, but three years' apprenticeship at least at the actual work is necessary."

"I had one case of a woman who had been in an ironmongery business. She had two months' training at one of these schools, and then, with capital supplied by her fiancé, set up a hairdressing saloon in a big provincial town. Another case was that of a gentleman's hairdresser in the West of England who wanted to extend his business and cater for women. So he began a course at one of these London mushroom schools. The place, he told me, was dirty and dingy; there were no proper tools and appliances, and no proper system of tuition. The pupils were shown a demonstration on one model a day, and then told to go and do likewise. Although he had paid his fee for ten lessons, he left in disgust after the second day."

"The L.C.C. training school in Marylebone and similar technical classes are different. The pupils there go through a two to three years' course, and then start work as improvers. Fifty guineas is charged by most of the mushroom schools for a six months' course."

THE TIP QUESTION.

Every woman, Mr. Browne urged, should be on her guard against mushroom saloons run by, or employing, improperly trained and inexperienced hairdressers. "The only remedy," he said, "is general, or compulsory, registration, as in Germany and other Continental countries. Every hairdresser or assistant registered by the council must have undergone apprenticeship training or passed an examination, and possess a certificate to that effect. Until registration becomes general anyone can set up as a hairdresser with results which may be seriously detrimental to public health."

Curiously enough, the headlong rush to become prosperous shinglers of women's hair is not usually shared by men's hairdressers of experience. "The plain fact is," said Mr. Browne, "that tips are fewer. The man knows that while he is shingling a woman and getting one sixpenny tip, he can trim three men and get perhaps a shilling from each. I offer one of my clever young men twice his present salary to take up women's shingling. He declined with thanks."

FRENCH LESSONS BY RADIO.

EXPERIMENT IN L.C.C. SCHOOLS.

The London Elementary Education Sub-Committee recommend that, as an experiment, central schools, where French is taught may listen on Fridays until the summer holidays to broadcast lessons in French. The recommendation is the sequel to a request from the British Broadcasting Company, who are arranging for an elementary French lesson to be given by a lecturer from the Institut Français on Fridays at 3.15 p.m. The lesson is timed to last about twenty minutes, and is intended in the main for central and secondary schools. The B.B.C. asked that pupils attending such schools in London should be allowed to listen to the lessons at the discretion of their head teachers. The sub-committee, in making the recommendation, say that as the proposal is a novel one, they have arranged for a report upon the experiment.

PHONING FROM ENGLAND TO AUSTRALIA.

SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT.

The Broadcasting Correspondent of the *London Daily Telegraph*, writes: For many months amateurs in both Great Britain and Australia have been endeavouring to conduct two-way telephony by wireless; but, although telephony has already been recorded at least once between Australia and England, no such clear and distinct signals have hitherto been received in this country or Australia as these which were picked up on Sunday morning (March 28th). Between six and eight a.m. two English amateurs succeeded in establishing two-way communication. At six o'clock Mr. Bernard Partridge (G2KF) picked up the signals of Mr. MacLurean, the well-known Sydney amateur (A2CM), and Mr. E. J. Simmonds, of Gerrard's Cross, was later also in touch with the same Australian operator.

The signals to Australia were being received so strongly there that Mr. MacLurean suggested an attempt at telephony. This was responded to by Mr. Partridge, and reports from Australia said that reception was remarkably clear, every word coming through. The speech from Australia to England was not so successful, and this failure was probably due to the use of a rather rough carrier wave. It was found difficult to disentangle the words. Speech by Morse code, however, was sustained for about an hour, and it was ascertained that a super-het, was being used in Australia to receive our messages. Mr. E. T. Simmonds, of Gerrard's Cross, also reported the receipt of signals from Mr. MacLurean between seven and eight a.m.

This is not the first time two-way telephony has been practised between this country and Australia, but the clarity and strength of Sunday's reception seems to have been by far the best result yet obtained. The English amateurs were working round about 44 metres, while the Australian operator was using a 39-metre wave-length. Mr. Partridge was employing a power of 150 watts, and Mr. Simmonds about 90 watts; but, although it is not known definitely, the Australian amateur probably exceeded 150 watts.

CINEMA INDUSTRY.

INFLUENCE ON SOCIAL LIFE.

In terms neither optimistic nor pessimistic, but of modified hopefulness, the position of the cinematograph industry was referred to last month at the annual dinner of the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association, which took place at the Hotel Victoria, under the chairmanship of Mr. W. N. Blake (president). Of members and guests there were present 450, a large proportion of whom remained to a dance in the ball-room.

The principal toast, "The Cinematograph Trade," was proposed by the Right Hon. Philip Snowden, M.P., who remarked that they were now one of the greatest industries. If it was true that man rendered a great service in his day and generation who made people laugh and feel happy, and took away their thoughts from their ordinary humdrum work, there was no trade in the country more beneficial than theirs. Yet they had great responsibilities. He was told that 30,000,000 people visited the cinemas every year. The picture made deeper impression than the mere word; it was a great educational force, it had great influence upon the social life of the people, and it was his belief that it did more, perhaps, than any other agency to promote temperance and sobriety. (Hear, hear.) To paraphrase an old adage, one might say, "Let who will make the laws, let him control the cinemas." With regard to the suggestion that cinemas should exhibit a certain proportion of British films, he knew nothing about the matter, but he had certain general principles which would apply. They were all in favour of encouraging British industries, and would like to see the production of British films greatly expanded, but neither by State subsidy nor any other means could they compel people to buy things which were not worth buying. (Hear, hear.) If they succeeded in this matter it would have to be by proving that British films were at least equal, if not superior, to the films produced in other countries. (Hear, hear.) In his opinion, it would be injurious to the industry to try and force inferior films upon the public. After four or five years of unparalleled bad trade, some people thought they now saw signs of brighter days. He hoped that they were right, and that when those days came the cinematograph trade would share abundantly in the new prosperity. (Cheers.)

The President, responding, and referring to the statement of the President of the Board of Trade that they were to be given a year in which to put their house in order, and that if they failed to do so the Government would step in, warned the trade against apathy, and advised them to meet at the round table, thrash the matter out, and see if they could not devise a means of giving a fillip to films. At the same time, he impressed upon others recognition of the powerful influences they had to contend with, and denied the assertion that they had been quarrelling among themselves. Though they had failed to agree about some matters, that was a very different thing from quarrelling. (Cheers.)

A SALE-ROOM DISCOVERY.

BACON'S ANNOTATED LAW-BOOK.

While some early law books were being sold at Sotheby's last month in another portion of the inexhaustible Britwell Library, removed from Barnham, a discovery was made by Dr. Abraham Rosenbach and Mr. Edmund Dring, of which much more will be heard. It affects Francis Bacon. When the 1609 edition in law French appeared of reports of cases by that lucid Elizabethan judge, Sir James Dyer, it was found that not only was the signature, "Fra. Bacon" (with the price 4s.) on the inside cover, but that at the end in neat manuscript were many comments in the same hand, as well as numerous marginal notes. Such a prize was, therefore, cheap to Dr. Rosenbach at £350, says the *Daily Telegraph*. Any book with Bacon's signature is a very rare find, so that this discovery is nearly as important as that of John Florio, 1603; translation of the Essays of Michel Montaigne bearing the signature of Shakespeare, which was bought for the British Museum in 1838 for £100. Baconian students at Harvard and Yale will therefore be eagerly expectant, and it will not be surprising if dramatic rather than legal deductions are drawn from this volume bearing the signature of the British Secretaries.

GREEK LAW AGAINST SHORT SKIRTS.

GIRL SENT TO PRISON.

The first prosecution under the new decree prohibiting the wearing of skirts more than 35 centimetres (14 inches) from the ground, took place at Athens on March 22nd. A girl of 20 was arrested by a police officer in the principal street in Athens and taken to the police court, where she was found "guilty" and sentenced to 21 hours' imprisonment. The sentence was received with derision in a crowded court.

In the matter of faith, and in almost all other matters, the effect of physical discovery had been to weaken and not to strengthen, the human mind.—*M. Hilaire Belloc*.



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presented to the Underwriter on or before the
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Hongkong, 26th April, 1926. [3490]

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Hongkong, 27th April, 1926. [3496]

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SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

April 25th.

Debagu Maru, Japanese str., 4,373 tons, Capt. A. Ito, from Liverpool and Singapore, the latter port she left on April 19th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A23—N.Y.K.

Edenton, American str., 5,437 tons, Capt. E. F. Evans, from New Orleans and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Stanecutters—Admiral Oriental Line.

Fushing, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. W. Field Hook, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hai Hong, British str., 1,270 tons, Capt. Ellis Walker, from Singapore and Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C48—Douglas, Laprak & Co.

President Jefferson, American str., 8,443 tons, Capt. F. R. Nicholas, from Seattle and Shanghai, the latter port she left on April 22nd, with 1,688 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Admiral Oriental Line.

Snaphrucken, German str., 5,385 tons, Capt. H. Grant, from Singapore, which port she left on April 20th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Messageries Maritimes Co.

Sunat, British str., 2,784 tons, Capt. V. Harper, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 22nd, lying at buoy No. A24—Bank Line.

April 26th.

Alipore, British str., 3,241 tons, Capt. H. Harrison, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 21st, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A25—MacKinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Amouze, French str., 3,080 tons, Capt. P. Gabriellargues, from Marseilles and Saigon, the latter port she left on April 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A2—Messageries Maritimes Co.

Atrous, British str., 4,284 tons, Capt. G. H. Satter, from Singapore, which port she left on April 21st, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—B. & S.

Hydrangea, British str., 361 tons, Capt. E. Bentley, from Kwang Chow Wan, with general cargo and live stock, lying at Chin On Wharf—China S.S. Co.

President Hayes, American str., 6,095 tons, Capt. J. J. Cadogan, from New York, which port she left on March 4th, with 605 tons of merchandise, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Douglas S.S. Line.

Triannon, Norwegian str., 3,582 tons, Capt. John Endresen, from Oslo, via Continental ports, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Thoresen & Co.

CLEARANCES.

April 26th.

Alipore, for Bombay.

Amouze, for Shanghai.

Edenton, for Shanghai.

Chung Hing, for Kwang Chow Wan.

Kiangchow, for Amoy.

President Hayes, for Manila.

President Jefferson, for Manila.

Snaphrucken, for Singapore.

Sunat, for Amoy.

Triannon, for Shanghai.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The *Empress of Asia*, Capt. L. D. Douglas, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama, at noon on April 30th.

The *P. & O. s.s. Kilm*, from Hongkong, arrived at London on April 24th at 8 a.m.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Belgisch (Bel Line), due to-day.

Ceylon (Swedish East Asiatic), due May 13th.

Empress of Asia (C.P.R.), due to-day, at 6 a.m.

Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due May 5th.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

The following vessels are in Dock:—Kowloon Dock—Passet, Vigilante, Hin Sang, Yat Shing.

Tai Koo Dock—Taikoo Wanyi, Kwang tung, Entarica, Haiyen, Clara Jensen.

At Kowloon Bay—Sun On.

At Proven Cove—Pong Tong, Lok Sun.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

FOR APRIL, 1926.

(STANDARD TIME OF THE 180TH MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH).

Date. Sunrise. Sunset.

April 27th. 5.55 a.m. 6.48 p.m.

28th. 5.54 " 6.43 "

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 26th.

Barometer ... 29.81

Temperature ... 69

Humidity ... 93

Wind Direction ... E

Force ... 0.0

Weather ... OD

Rain ... 0.01

Highest open-air Temperature on 26th ... 75

Lowest open-air Temperature on 26th ... 65

HONGKONG SHIPPING.

Yesterday's shipping statement showed that the number of vessels in harbour at 9 a.m. was 57, of which 20 were British.

For the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday eleven vessels arrived, viz.—four British, two German, two American, one Norwegian, one Japanese and one Chinese. The departures over the same period came to ten, these being for the following ports—For Swatow, one Japanese and one British; for Manila, one German and one Chinese; for Sandakan, one Norwegian; for Shanghai, one British and one Swedish; for Kwang Chow Wan, one Portuguese; for Hongkong, one British. There was only one clearance for the same period, this being a German steamer for Shanghai.

CARGO ENTERED.

(During the twenty-four hours ended, at 9 a.m. yesterday.)

For Hongkong ... 17,703 tons.

For ports beyond ... 14,674

Total ... 32,377

(During previous twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Sunday.)

For Hongkong ... 17,703 tons.

For ports beyond ... 14,674

Total ... 32,377

Of the cargo entered for Hongkong, 1,070 tons were carried in British vessels, with 4,561 tons in vessels of other nationality. The heaviest entry was 2,550 tons made by a British steamer with an entry of 2,000 tons by an American vessel next in order. All the other entries with the exception of one, were under four figures. With regard to freight beyond only 70 tons were carried in a British vessel, the remainder all being in vessels under other flags. The heaviest entry was 9,120 tons by a Japanese steamer, with 7,000 tons in a Norwegian vessel and 6,200 tons in a German vessel.

The arrivals for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were as under:—

Quichow (British) from Tientsin and Weihaiwei with 600 tons of general cargo and mail.

Fun Shing (British) from Haiphong with 2,550 tons of general cargo and mail.

Sunat (British) from Shanghai with a nil entry for Hongkong, but 70 tons of cargo for ports beyond.

Hai Hong (British) with 920 tons of rice and paddy.

Edenton (German) from Yokohama and Shanghai with a nil entry for Hongkong, but 1,284 tons for ports beyond.

Snaphrucken (German) from Bremen and Singapore with 920 tons of general cargo and mail and 6,200 tons for ports beyond.

Edenton (American) from New Orleans and Amoy with 2,000 tons of general cargo, mail and 100 tons for ports beyond.

President Jefferson (American) from Seattle and Shanghai with 1,688 tons of general cargo, mail and 3,500 tons for ports beyond.

Triannon (Norwegian) from Oslo and Singapore with 180 tons of general cargo, mail and 7,000 tons for ports beyond.

Debagu Maru (Japanese) from Liverpool and Singapore with 164 tons of miscellaneous cargo and 9,120 tons for ports beyond.

Tak Hing (Chinese) from Nan Tain with 30 tons of sundries.

Later arrivals yesterday, too late for entry in the above returns, included:—

President Hayes (American) from San Francisco and Shanghai with 395 tons of general cargo, mail and 2,000 tons for ports beyond.

Atrous (British) from Liverpool and Singapore with 783 tons of general cargo, mail and 4,136 tons for ports beyond.

Alipore (British) from Bombay and Shanghai with 65 tons of general cargo, mail and 718 tons for ports beyond.

Hydrangea (British) from Kwang Chow Wan with 100 tons of general cargo and mail.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The *s.s. Clara Jensen* (Danish steamer) has gone into Taikoo dock for repairs following her striking a rock known as Britto Bank on the coast of Indo-China not long ago, when she did damage to her forward hold.

The total number of deck passengers entered for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 49, the lowest number for any day for many months past.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 27th to May 3rd, 1926.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High WATER.		Low WATER.	
		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Tues.	27	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		8 42	6 0	3 06	1 8
		9 17	6 8	3 17	1 8
Wed.	28	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		9 14	8 4	3 25	2 0
		10 0	5 6	3 55	1 4
Thurs.	29	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		9 43	6 7	3 53	2 3
		10 46	5 2	4 36	1 1
Fri.	30	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		10 14	7 0	4 20	2 6
		11 38	4 8	5 21	1 0
Satur.	1	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		10 48	7 1	4 45	3 0
				6 12	1 0
Sun.	2	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		0 47	4 4	5 9	3 3
		11 27	7 1	7 14	1 1
Mon.	3	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		2 19	4 1	6 35	3 6
		0 16	6 0	8 24	1 2

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EMPRESS OF ASIA	April 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 17
EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 22	May 31
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 28	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 14
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	June 11	June 14	June 16	June 19	June 30
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 24	June 27	June 30	July 2	July 11
EMPRESS OF CANADA	July 8	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 26
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	July 22	July 25	July 28	July 31	Aug. 9
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Aug. 5	Aug. 8	Aug. 11	Aug. 14	Aug. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Aug. 19	Aug. 22	Aug. 25	Aug. 28	Sept. 6
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Sept. 2	Sept. 5	Sept. 8	Sept. 11	Sept. 20
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Sept. 16	Sept. 19	Sept. 22	Sept. 25	Oct. 4

(E/Asia and E/Russia call at Nagasaki the day after departure from Shanghai.)

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April 22	April 24	EMPRESS ASIA	April 25
May 6	May 8	EMPRESS CANADA	May 9

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HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"MINGSANG"	Thursday, 29th April, at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Thursday, 29th April, at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAO via SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Wednesday, 28th May, at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIPSANG"	Thursday, 29th May, at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG"	Thursday, 29th May, at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via MOI & KOBE	"KUMSANG"	Thursday, 29th May, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS via CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Thursday, 29th May, at 3 p.m.
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"MAEDONIA"	11,089	1st May, Noon	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	15th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"PERIM"	7,648	29th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,941	29th May	Marseilles and London.
"KIZAPORE"	6,715	3rd June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KEYBER"	9,114	13th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	28th June	Marseilles and London.
"KARMALA"	9,123	10th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"BANPURA"	16,585	24th July	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	7th Aug.	Marseilles, London, and Antwerp.
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	21st Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	4th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Constantinople, Pireaus, Smyrna, and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"TILAWA"	10,000	27th Apr., 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"SANTHIA"	7,754	2nd May	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	6th May	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	19th May	do.
"SHIRALA"	10,000	27th May	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th May	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,900	1st June	do.

* Omits Sandakan but calls at Kolambagan.

The E. & A.S.S. Co., Ltd., steamers will also call at Shanghai, Hilo, Cebu, Kolambagan, Tawao, Timor, Durwis, or other ports en route as indicated.

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The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London via Suez Canal.

The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.

The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"GAMEHRA"	5,257	27th April	Shanghai.
"KHYBER"	7,941	30th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SHIRALA"	7,941	4th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka.
"TANDA"	6,958	6th May	Shanghai.
"MALWA"	10,941	14th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	28th May	do.
"PADU"	5,907	30th May	Shanghai and Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,089	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	18th June	Shanghai only.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	25th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"BANPURA"	16,585	28th July	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"DELTA"	8,097	7th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	22nd July	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	5th Aug.	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	19th Aug.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	2nd Sept.	do.
"MOREA"	10,918	18th Sept.	do.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
 WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.
 Passengers for Bangkok must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while awaiting the on carrying steamer.
 All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.
 Steamers on London and Australian Lines are fitted with Landrover.
 Parcels measuring not more than 24 ft. x 3 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to Noon on the day previous to sailing.
 For Further Information, Passage Fares, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to—

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Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hongkong to Foochow (Pagoda Anchorage) and Return by the same Steamer by the "HAINING," "HAIHONG" and "HAIOHONG" at the Reduced Rate of \$30.00 including Meals while the Steamer is in Port.

For Freight and Passage apply to—

DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & CO.

General Managers.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	...	On 27th April	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 28th April	4 p.m.
BALIK PAPAN & JAVA	...	On 28th April	10 a.m.
HOLO	...	On 29th April	Noon
HAIPHONG	...	On 29th April	Noon
AMOI - SINGAPORE	...	On 29th April	Noon
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	...	On 29th April	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 29th April	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	...	On 1st May	4 p.m.
BANGKOK	...	On 1st May	4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to—

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CARGO AND PASSAGE CAN BE INSURED AT THE OFFICE OF BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

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 EXCELLENT & MOST UP-TO-DATE FIRST & SECOND CLASS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION.
HONGKONG TO SYDNEY—19 DAYS.

STEAMER	DUE HONGKONG ON OR ABOUT	SAILING HENCE ON OR ABOUT
TAIPING	18th May	25th May
CHANGTE	18th June	22nd June
TAIPING	17th July	23rd July
CHANGTE	14th August	20th August

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Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
M.V. "VIMINALE"	...	Sails 5th May	From Hongkong.
M.V. "ESQUILINO"	...	Sails 5th June	From Hongkong.

HOMEWARDS FOR BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
S.S. "FIUME-L"	...	Sails 16th May	From Hongkong.
M.V. "VIMINALE"	...	Sails 31st May	From Hongkong.
M.V. "ESQUILINO"	...	Sails 30th June	From Hongkong.

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Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
S.S. "UMBINGA"	...	Sails from Calcutta, 30th June	
S.S. "UMBINGA"	...	Sails from Colombo, 12th July	

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S.S. "DIOMED"	...	via Suez Canal ... 7th May	
S.S. "ATREUS"	...	via Suez Canal ... 21st May	
S.S. "KINGHOW"	...	via Suez Canal ... 4th June	

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
MANILA	Empress of Asia	27th April
SHANGHAI	Suisan	27th April
SHANGHAI	Amboise	27th April
SHANGHAI	Kashing	27th April
SHANGHAI	Antenor	27th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN, SHANGHAI	Pres. Taff	29th April
& EUROPE via SIBERIA	St. Albans	2nd May
JAPAN	Pres. Jefferson	3rd May
MANILA	Pres. Grant	7th May
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Tunda	7th May
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Pres. Taff	7th May
MANILA		

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Straits & Calcutta	Tilawa	Tuesday, 27th, 10.30 A.M.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via	Amboise	Reg. Letters 12.45 P.M.
Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th May	Hydrangea	1.30 P.M.
Fort Bayard	Alpines	2.30 P.M.
Straits		
Swatow	Tingyang	Wednesday, 28th, 10.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Soochow	2.30 P.M.
Shanghai	Sui Sang	5.00 P.M.
Hokkaido	Ningyang	Thursday, 29th, 8.30 A.M.
Haiphong	Kashing	10.30 A.M.
Amoy	Kashing	10.30 A.M.
Iloilo	Wahla	Noon
Straits and Calcutta	Kashing	1.00 P.M.
Wei Hai Wei	Haichow	2.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 17th May	Emp. of Asia	Friday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching	9.15 A.M.
Manila	Pres. Taff	10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Antenor	Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via	Macedonia	1.30 P.M.
Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th May		2.30 P.M.
Shanghai & EUROPE via Siberia	Kanchow	Saturday, 1st, 2.30 P.M.
(letters & postcards specially super scribed "via Siberia" only)	Kwangsueh	2.30 P.M.
Bangkok	Kaijo Maru	Sunday, 2nd, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 17th May	St. Albans	Monday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 23rd May	Pres. Jefferson	5.00 P.M.
& EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially super scribed "via Siberia" only)	Kwangsueh	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 2nd June	Patroclus	Wednesday, 5th, 9.45 A.M.
June		10.30 A.M.
Straits & Calcutta	Yucwang	Thursday, 6th, Noon
Japan	Kwangsueh	Wednesday, 12th, 5.00 P.M.

* Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

April 26th, 1926.

On London—	
Telegraphic Transfer	100/11
Bank Bills, on demand	100/11
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	100/11
Bank Bills, at 60 days' sight	100/11
Credits, at 4 months' sight	100/11
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	100/11
On Paris—	
Bank Bills, on demand	155/5
Credits, at 4 months' sight	155/5
On New York—	
Bank Bills, on demand	53/4
Credits, at 60 days' sight	53/4
On Bombay—	
Telegraphic Transfer	148
Bank Bills, on demand	148
On Calcutta—	
Telegraphic Transfer	148
Bank Bills, on demand	148
On Shanghai—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	118/1
On Yokohama—On demand	107/1
On Manila—On demand	94/4
On Singapore—On demand	13/4
On Batavia—On demand	nom.
On Hongkong—On demand	nom.
On Bangkok—On demand	85
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying rate	53/9
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per test	29/4
Bar Silver, per oz.	29/4

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.

Authorized Capital \$50,000,000
 Issued and Fully Paid-up \$20,000,000
 Reserve Funds:—
 Sterling \$4,500,000
 Silver \$27,000,000
 Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$30,000,000

Board of Directors:
 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. BARNARD, Chairman.
 Hon. Mr. A. O. LING, Deputy Chairman.
 W. H. Bell, Esq. J. A. Plummer, Esq.
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Chief Manager:
 A. H. BARLOW, Esq.
 Manager: Shanghai—G. H. SMITH, Esq.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in LOCAL CURRENCY and STERLING on terms which will be quoted on application.
 Hongkong, April 26th, 1926. [25]

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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

Interest on Deposits is calculated on the lowest balance during each completed Calendar Month at 3 per cent. per annum. Should there be no balance on any day in a month no interest will be allowed for that month.

Depositors may transfer at their option Balance of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSITS at CURRENT RATES.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
 A. H. BARLOW,
 Chief Manager.
 Hongkong, 7th January, 1925. [9]

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1853.
 Head Office: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £23,000,000
 Reserve Fund £24,000,000
 Reserve Liability of Proprietors £23,000,000

Foreign Exchange and General Banking Business transacted.
 Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, April 15th, 1925. [30]

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

Head Office:
 36, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.
 Subscribed Capital, Frs. 75,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital Frs. 58,400,000.00
 Reserve Fund Frs. 59,697,393.54

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 Batavia, Hongkong, Saigon
 Canton, Haiphong, Shanghai
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 Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, 30th March, 1924. [31]



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 Bombay, Howrah, New York, Simla,
 Calcutta, Kandy, Penang, Singapore,
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 Delhi, Kota Bharu (Malay).

HONGKONG BRANCHES:
 Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
 Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 3 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at Rates which may be ascertained on application.
 C. L. C. SANDES,
 Manager.
 7, Queen's Road Central,
 Hongkong, March 26th, 1926. [39]

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.

(Incorporated in France).
 4, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

Head Office:
 74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

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 Reserves Frs. 11,160,000
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 Peking, Shanghai, Tientsin
 Canton

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 Correspondents throughout the World.
 A. ROLLIN,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925. [40]

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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed Ym 45,000,000
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 JAPAN:—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka.
 FORMOSA:—Gilan, Kagi, Kankin, Keelung, Makung, Nantow, Shinghai, Paochu, Tainan, Peking, Tamsui, Tientsin, Pusan, China:—Shanghai, Hankow, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
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T. TAKAGI,
 Manager,
 HONGKONG BRANCH,
 3, Des Voeux Road, Central,
 Hongkong, 1st Decemb. 1925. [27]

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 Hongkong Branch:—4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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 Every description of Banking Business transacted.
 Loans granted on Approved Securities.
 Special facilities for domestic exchange.

TSUYEE PEI,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, January 16th, 1926. [38]

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(NEDERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY).
 Established 1824.

Hongkong Branch established 1906.
 Authorized Capital

Gulden 150,000,000 (212,500,000)
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